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Looking back at the history of Walsall Wood

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Cuvelier's goal means safety for the Saddlers

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## **Brewery** is aiming to increase production

MOVES by Walsall's Highgate Brewery to increase production have been wel-comed as a boost to the town.

comed as a boost to the town.
Steps to relaunch the Davenports brand into Birmingham and maintain Highgate
at its historic site in Walsall
have been announced.
It is hoped there will be
long term benefits, possibly
including more jobs at the
Sandymount Road site, by

Sandymount Road site, by the business increasing the number of beers it brews.

National accounts director John Bartley said: "It will hopefully allow production to increase at Highgate Brewery. We will use the existing staff on both sites for now. It will probably be split half and half.

Cask

"It's great news. I'm pretty."

"It's good news. I'm pretty excited. It's another company. We can distribute wider and better."

Last month Mr Bartley

announced there had been a 50 per cent rise in cask ale sales over the past few

sales over the past few months.

He added: "Our new blond beer, Walsall Gold, is selling really well. It's in 15 to 20 local pubs. Our cask ale sales are increasing slightly. We are still doing okay."

Highgate Brewery, which is 113-years-old, was rescued from closure by new bosses about 19 months ago.

#### **Building marked** for demolition

THE final remnants of an arson-hit building in the heart of Walsall town centre are poised to be demolished

are poised to be demolished within weeks, paving the way for regeneration.

The remains of the former Beebee and Beebee Ltd building, next to the 140-year-old Jabez Cliff site, are expected to come down this month.

Permission has been given to demolish the fire damaged two-storey block in Lower Forster Street by Walsall Council.

Demolition of the main Jabez Cliff works has already been carried out following a huge blaze which ripped into the building last August.

# SHOP STAFF SPOT DEMENTIA SIGNS

#### Report by Mark Mudie

MOVES to ask supermarket staff to look out for patients with dementia in Walsall have been backed by health and council chiefs.

More than 2,000 people are estimated to have the disease but not been diagnosed in the borough. Of an estimated 3,450 people with dementia in Walsall, just 1,036 have been identified by doctors, and steps to support those vulnerable have now been put forward. Members of the council's health scrutiny committee are suggesting that shop and supermarket staff should be trained to spot signs of the illness.

Walsall Council leader Mike Bird has backed such an approach. He said: "Dementia can start at a very early age. We should all take a responsibility. Anybody who sees someone they feel is vulnerable should try and make contact with that individual."

Michael Hurt, dementia care programme manager in Walsall, said there were plans in the pipeline to train supermarket and shop staff to have a better awareness of dementia.

**Major revamp** 

set to create

30 jobs at pub

MORE than 30 new jobs will be created as part of the proposed revamp of a well-known Walsall pub after fresh plans were drawn up for its future. Bosses at Marstons Inns and Taverns pub

chain have submitted new plans to remodel Farmer John's in Aldridge Road, Streetly, as it seeks to become a more food-orientated

A new outdoor eating pergola area and children's activity centre will be created under the plans unveiled this week.

Upgrading

It is hoped the move will increase the number of workers from seven to around 40 full and part-time roles.

Pub bosses say the plans involve a "comprehensive upgrading" of the popular pub.

Previous plans were unveiled to revamp the venue but these have now been replaced with the latest scheme.

with the latest scheme.

It will see the existing garden room shelter flattened and replaced with an open pergola area and a new children's playground complete with an adventure trail made up of timber play equipment.

It is in response to the Prime Minister's challenge to develop dementia-friendly communities.

He said there had been a number of

He said there had been a number of improvements in services over the past 12 months. A memory service which provides early diagnosis and intervention and a new hospital liaison team comprising of a consultant psychiatrist and specialist mental health nurses are amongst steps to help people with dementia.

Services

He said: "We are designing services which are people-focused rather than expecting people to fit in with our serv-

ices."

Figures show the number of people being diagnosed with dementia in the West Midlands has increased.

The number diagnosed rose by 2,100 over the last year from 25,600 to 27,700. But it is thought that there are 41,000 people in the region that are living with the condition.

In Sandwell there has been a 3.7 per cent rise in the number of people being diagnosed with dementia, while there was a 1.9 per cent rise in Dudley. Wolver-hampton sawa 1.2 per cent increase.

Walsall is a lowly 159th of 169 areas for diagnosis.

#### Borough goes to the polls

WALSALL goes to the polls today (Thursday) with 20 seats in the borough being contested. Labour are aiming to seize control after eight years of Conservative rule. Up until today both parties held 27 seats, with Liberal Democrats five and one Independent.

## Brave boy is back home



Connah Lavender, eight, with his parents Steve Lavender and Paula Hitchen

Connah Lavender, eight, with his parents Steve Lavender and Paula Hitchen
A BRAVE eight-year-old boy has arrived home after spending two months in America with his parents to undergo a new treatment to fight cancer.
Connah Lavender has a tumour in his right eye socket, which swelled to the size of a golf ball. The youngster from Willenhall was diagnosed with the disease in November. After chemotherapy at Birmingham Children's Hospital, the Stow Heath Junior Telesales executive Paula said: "He's my hero."

## **Injured** teen tells of bus stop

A TEENAGER knocked down by a car at a bus stop in Walsall Wood has spoken of the moment "everything went black".

the moment "everything went black".

James Jones is being treated at Walsall Manor Hospital for a broken leg after the incident last Thursday afternoon. Six pupils from Shire Oak Academy were hit. These included James' brother Stephen, 15, who suffered a bruised hip. Another pupil was treated for internal bleeding.

James, 17 from Pelsall, underwent a five-hour operation on his broken leg on Friday and was due to undergo a second operation.

undergo a second operation.
James recalled the
moment when the Peugeot
106 crashed into the bus 106 crashed into the bus stop in Friezland Lane. He said: "There were about 15 of us standing at the bus stop. I heard someone say the bus was coming and the next thing I heard was a loud screech and then everything went black. I think I hit my head on a bin.
"The next thing I knew I was lying on the payement

"The next thing I knew I was lying on the pavement and I was in a lot of pain."
Sixth form student James is due to sit A-level exams this month.
The car was being driven

by a 19-year-old man.
Police are investigating.

#### Restaurant helps charity

A RESTAURANT in Walsall is using some Italian flavour to help raise money for charity, starting with the British Heart Foundation. Sofia's is adopting Sundays as a charity day and over the coming weeks there will be a series of events with a jazz musicion and Italian

a jazz musician and Italian singer providing entertain-

singer providing entertainment.

The restaurant at the Guildhall in High Street will start its fundraising drive this Sunday between 12 and 3pm and from 5 to 9pm.

Giorgio Belluci, manager of Sofia's Italian Restaurant, said: "Sundays are an opportunity for families to come together and enjoy a lovely meal."

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## Pair caught red-handed with smuggled cigarettes | Corrupt

red-handed after more than 500,000 contraband cigarettes and 150kg of tobacco were smuggled into the UK from the Canary Islands in a shipping container.

They were caught unloading the haul of Domingo and Gold Classic Spanish cigarettes and tobacco which was hidden under a load of furniture in Staffordshire.

Wolverhampton Crown Court heard how the container had been sent to an address in Cannock. In the court last week.

Revenue and Customs officers

#### Arrested

As the lorry from the docks in Felixstowe arrived, it was flagged down by Lee Field and directed to a service road off Walsall Road, where he and friend Peter Ankrett started transferring the cigarettes and tobacco into another container at

The pair fled when passers-by

had been keeping watch and arrested both men a few hundred yards down the road on May 25. The haul had evaded £262,545 VAT duty.

haul had evaded £262,340 VAT duty.
Field, aged 34, owed £4,000 to
"proper villains" who had brought
him in to unload the contraband in a
bid to pay off the debt. He had
recruited 44-year-old Ankrett, who
was to be paid £250 for his help.

Stephen Cadwaladr, defending, said: "They were just hired labourers. Field caved into pressure after coming into contact with proper villains."

Market trader Field from Fair Oaks Drive, Walsall, and Ankrett, of Water Reed Grove, both admitted the fraudulent evasion of duty.

Field was jailed for 18 months. Ankrett was given a 12-month community order with 150 hours' unpaid work and £150 costs.

# £8,600

THE CORRUPT IT manager of a metal company took almost £7,500 worth of TVs and computers as incentives to give business to a supply firm, a court was told. The backhanders were hidden in invoices for the work and were unwittingly paid by Impalloy, who employed him at its base in Willenhall Road, Bloxwich. Rajeev Soni gave AAG Systems details of goods he wanted in exchange for Systems details of goods he wanted in exchange for ordering equipment from them, prosecutor Iain Willis told Wolverhampton Crown Court last week. The 37-year-old sold some items and kept the rest for himself. Soni was appointed IT manager at Impalloy in 2006 and was in charge of all contracts and invoices.

Mr Willis said: "AAG was very keen to do business and

very keen to do business and he made it clear from the outset that he wanted to receive incentives from them. The free gifts were then disguised in invoices covering legitimate orders.

#### Computers

"Impalloy was paying for goods it did not see. These were delivered to the home of the defendant or other addresses specified by him."

Soni collected £7,400 of goods, in two months.

goods in two months between May and July 2009. They included three TVs. They included three TVs, computers, phones and a remote controlled toy helicopter. The parent company of AAG discovered what was happening and tipped off Impalloy, who called police.

Mr Willis said AAG appeared to have been sanctioning what was going on but it had not beenpossible to discover any individual responsible at the firm.

Soni. now of Westfield

responsible at the firm. Soni, now of Westfield Grove, Derby, will have repay all the stolen £7,400. He admitted theft from his employer and received a 12 month prison sentence suspended under supervision for two years with 200 hours unpaid work and £1,200 costs.

#### Function room

A VACANT industrial building in Walsall will be transformed into a function room under plans poised to create 10 jobs. Self-employed caterer Wajid Mahmood has submitted the plans for the unit in Brineton Street to Walsall Council.

# Jobless in borough face a tough quest for work

THERE are just two jobs for every three working age adults in Walsall while almost half in some areas of the borough are claim-

ing benefits, a new report has revealed.

The council's health scrutiny committee has been presented with the stark findings of a wide-reaching review. Members have been warned they face a major challenge to bring Walsall in line with the rest of the West Midlands and country as a whole, with one in five adults in the town having no qualifications.

Having no quamications. Up to 45 per cent of adults living near Walsall town centre are on benefits. This compares to to four per cent in areas such as Streetly and Aldridge.

such as Streetly and Augrage.
Youth unemployment is a particular problem, with 15 per
cent of 18 to 24-year-olds, or 3,530 people, out of work. The
rate is almost double the national average of eight per cent. onal average of eight per cent.
The report states: "There are too few jobs available for local people to access.
Walsall is home to around 7,500 businesses – a shortage of 2,000 compared with the national average per size of adult population – and this means there are only 0.66 jobs per working age person compared to 0.78 nationally.

Transformed

**Transformed** "Long-term unemploy-ment in the 18-24 age group

usiness space."
Blueprint to boost business in the borough
– see page 7

## Church in talks over restoration and status

"Long-term unemployment in the 18-24 age group is becoming an increasing issue – in September 2005, 17 per cent of Walsall's jobseekers allow-ance recipients had been claiming for more than six months. By September 2011 this had risen to 37 per cent." Regeneration boss, borough councillor Adrian Andrew, said Walsall would be transformed for the better in the next couple of years. "We have got a lot of processes in place to deal with this," he said. "Through Walsall Works, we are making a £2 million investment getting 550 young people into proper apprenticeships. We are supporting businesses through the Enterprise Zone and we are bidding for £6.5m of European money to expand business space."

A CHURCH in Willenhall is applying for Grade II-listed building status. Leaders at Holy Trinity, in Short Heath, were are due to be discussing the plans during a meeting tonight (Thursday) at 7.45pm at the church. church.

A restoration appeal to raise £65,000 was launched last year, and more than £4,000 has since been pulled in towards funding repairs to the building, which dates back to the 1850s.

Church treasurer Roger Butt said: "Repairs are needed on the east end wall of the church. If we leave it

of the church. If we leave it any longer, it will end up crumbling.
"The cost to fix the wall will be around £40,000 but we have been advised to raise £65,000 in case they find anything else needs fixing when they inspect the roof timbers. We want to apply to get the building Grade II listed."

# Play ahoy at the nursery



YOUNGSTERS and staff donned pirate outfits when Walsall's Mayor visited the school to officially open a new outdoor play area which has a large pirate ship slide as its contral feature.

area which has a large phrate sing since as its central feature. Pupils welcomed Councillor Garry Perry to Pelsall Village School Nursery, in School Lane, where he officially opened the new

outdoor learning area with a ribbon cutting

Musical instruments incorporated into Musical instruments incorporated into the area, which also includes a story corner and raised planting areas, will allow the children to make their own music. Pirate-based activities, such as treasure hunts, took place during the day.

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## Dog owner ignored the screams of a young girl

A DOG owner has been ordered to pay compensation after admitting that his pet was out of control when it bit a young girl in Walsall.

Dean Kingdon, aged 29, had let his pit bull-type dog off the lead at a block of flats when it were don't he fire.

when it pounced on the five-year-old child and bit her, Walsall Magistrates Court

Walsall Magistrates Court heard.
District Judge Graham Wilkinson told Kingdon that he was "cowardly and despi-cable" for walking off without checking what had happened after hearing

Mr Jason Corden-Bowen,

Mr Jason Corden-Bowen, prosecuting, said the incident happened as the girl was leaving her flat with her mother, who was locking up. "The dog runs up to her daughter, barking," he said. "It jumps up to her daughter, causing her to fall over. The girl suffered a bite mark to her rib area and a graze on her arm.

Kingdon, of Wednesbury Road, Caldmore, admitted allowing a dog to be dangerously out of control in a public place and failing to public place and failing to surrender to police bail.

#### Muzzled

Muzzled

Mr David Grice, mitigating, said the dog was usually kept on a leash.

The court heard the dog will have to be muzzled and kept on a leash in a public place, micro-chipped, tattooed, spayed, insured and undergo five hours training. Kingdon was handed a three-month prison sentence, suspended for 18 months, and a one-month curfew order and ordered to pay £250 compensation and £200 costs.

#### **Curry mix up** proves costiv

A BALTI restaurant in Brownhills has been hit with a bill of £1,800 after selling a curry that contained the wrong meat.

wrong meat.

The balti lamb tikka curry dish contained beef, Walsall Magistrates Court were told. It came after council trading standards carried out a test purchase and subsequent inspection at Balti Garden in High Street last year.

Boss Sufi Miah, aged 42, of Balsall Heath, Birmingham, said the chef who had failed to correctly mark un the food

to correctly mark up the food has been dismissed.

has been dismissed. He insisted new procedures had been introduced since, including a shelving system for the meats. Magistrates ordered Miah pay a £350 fine, costs of £1,460 and £15 victim surcharge.

# Former champion dies, 75 Soldier in court

A FORMER golf champion and steel company director has died aged 75. Alan Smith had been extensively involved in the sport since his childhood.

He was a Staffordshire Open Golf champion, having joined his first club, Bloxwich, at the age of nine. Mr Smith soon showed promise, eventually playing for England Boys' youth team. He won the Staffordshire Open Championship three times in the early 1970s.

Trophy

Mr Smith became captain of Staffordshire County Golf in 1973. He was awarded the Len Turner Trophy for outstand-ing contribution to the Staffordshire Union of Golf Clubs in 1991.

His home club was Walsall where he was captain for 1974

Mr Smith and his brother John were directors of HG Mr Smith and his brother John were directors of HG Smith Steel Fabrications in St Anne's Road, Willenhall, a company begun by their father Herbert who drowned when Mr Smith was 12.

When Mr Smith retired in 1990 he and his wife continued their playing together in team events. Following a major stroke in December, Mr Smith died on April 19.

Stroke in December, Mr Smith died on April 19.

As well as Mrs Smith he leaves a daughter and stepson.

The funeral was being held yesterday (Wednesday) at Broadway United Reformed Church, Walsall, followed by private cremation. A donation page has been set up at www.bmycharity.com/alansmith.

A SOLDIER from Walsall Wood who left a four-star hotel without paying a bill of more than £1,000 has been ordered to pay up and carry out unpaid work.

Daniel Turner was on leave when he booked in at the Ramada Birmingham North hotel in Cannock on August 30. He extended his stay to September 9.

Turner, of Coppice Road, Walsall Wood, pleaded guilty to

a charge of obtaining services dishonestly

#### Argument

In mitigation, Mr Mark Hemming said Turner checked into the hotel following an argument with his father because he had nowhere else to stay.

Turner was handed a 12-month community order and told to carry out 100 hours' unpaid work, pay £1,183.14 compensation and £85 in costs.

# Suspended prison sentence or yob who threw firework

railway station platform filled with football fans as a "practical joke" has been given a suspended prison sentence.

Jaydon Talbot, of Bloxwich, threw the firework onto a platform at Bescot railway station after a match between Walsall and Chesterfield.

Mrs Rachael Smith, prosecuting, told Walsall Magistrates Court on Friday that a police officer who was monitoring

added.

He had launched the fire-work in the direction of his friends but other people were stood nearby. No-one was injured. Talbot, of Victo-

was mjured. Talbot, of Victoria Avenue, admitted endangering the safety of a person conveyed by railway on April 7. In mitigation, Mr Khalid Waheed said: "He accepts his behaviour was extremely irresponsible and reckless."

the crowd heard a loud bang and saw sparks showering into the air.

by Lisa O'Brien set the firework off as a practice of the air. set the firework off as a practical joke," Mrs Smith added.

The court heard that other officers on the plat-form saw Talbot running away when the smoke cleared. Police followed him cleared. Police followed him in a vehicle and other offi-cers gave chase on foot. Talbot, aged 21, was found hiding in a garden. Mrs Smith said Talbot's car keys were found on him and officers discovered com-partial firewards inside the

mercial fireworks inside the

Talbot was given a 122-week prison sentence, suspended for 12 months. He must carry out 150 hours unpaid work and pay £85 costs. driven to the train station to meet friends who had been to the football match at Banks's Stadium.

Ozzy comes home

## Delicious way to help charity



Youngsters Leo Garrett, left, and Jacob Harper pictured with, from left, cake makers Carly Garrett, Katie Bullock and Gemma Harper as they get ready for a baking event to raise money for MS at a church in Aldridge

HEAVY metal legends Black Sabbath, with singer Ozzy Osbourne, have announced a homecoming gig in Birmingham in aid of charity.

The Brummie rock heroes could fill a mega-venue but have chosen the mid-sized O2 Academy for their first Birmingham show in 13 years, on Saturday, May 19, and the proceeds will go to soldier charity Help for Heroes.

The return of Ozzy, Tony Iommi and Geezer Butler follows an announcement that Black Sabbath are working on their first new studio album together in 33 years with top rock producer Rick Rubin.

Original

Original The original Black Sabbath, formed in Birmingham in the late 1960s, followed their 1970 debut album with seven more LPs until 1978's Never Say Die and are considered by

many rock fans to be the first true heavy metal band.

Tickets for the O2 Academy gig will cost £45 (subject to booking fee) and go on sale at 9am tomorrow (Friday) from www.ticketmaster.co.uk or www.livenation.co.uk.

A GROUP of Aldridge women are hoping to earn a big slice of funds for charity when they host a cake sale.
Kate Bullock, Victoria Roden, Gemma Harper and Carly Garrett have organised the event, which will see money raised for the Multiple Scle-

rosis (MS) Society. Victoria's mum has had MS for the past 12 years. The sale will be held at St Thomas' Church, on St Thomas Close, from 12.30 to 2.30pm on Saturday (May 5). Katie, aged 31, said she was hoping to raise awareness of the charity.

"The church very kindly agreed to host the sale and we've been putting up posters around the village so hopefully we'll get a good turnout," she added. "It's a great charity and we'll all be working hard to bake some delicious cake for people to enjoy."

#### Fireworks and bridal beauty

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A FORMER car rental showroom in Walsall town centre will be transformed into an Asian bridal beauty

into an Asian bridal beauty studio, florist and seasonal shops, under plans lodged with town planners.

The vacant building in Ablewell Street, formerly occupied by Enterprise Rent A Car, would have a year-round firework outlet as the main business.

Another business would be an Asian bridal centre and a florist's has been suggested to run alongside the bridal business. A further business would involve Christmas trees and associated seasonal goods. ated seasonal goods.

#### Clairvoyant is helping victims

AN EVENING of Clairvoy-ance with Beverly Williams is being held on Thursday, May 10, at Fishley Park Golf Complex, in Fishley Lane, Pelsall.

Lane, Pelsall.

The event will be on from 7.30pm to 10pm and tickets cost £10 on the door. For every ticket sold £1 will be donated to Walsall Domestic Violence Forum

For further information www.beverlywilliams.co.u k or call 01922 685279.

#### Rambling on a circular route

WALSALL Group of the Ramblers will be heading to Broughton Hackett in Worcestershire for a seven mile circular walk on Sunday. This relatively easy walk takes in part of the Millennium Way.

Non members are always welcome and should contact the walk leaders for further information on 01922 614389 or 01922 685271.

#### Family history

'CRIME and Punishment CRIME and Punishment' is the theme of the talk at Walsall Family History Group's meeting on Wednesday, May 9, at St Matthew's Community Centre, Walsall. Visitors are welcome for £2 and membership is £10 per year. A raffle is also held.

#### Group cycle ride

ON Saturday a free family cycle ride will start from Holy Trinity School as Clayhanger at 9.30am for a 12-mile ride with a break-fast/coffee stop at Brad-shaw's Farm.

Contact Dave on 01543 899577. Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.









# **OF PETER**

OUR changing language. An email arrives to tell me: "Your parcel has been received at our sortation hub". I hope it will soon be sortationated and deliverified.

#### 00000000

A FRIEND who had a pet-insurance policy for her A FRIEND who had a per-insurance policy for her cat with a £100 excess per claim, has just cancelled it. She explains: "I never knew there were so many animal illnesses that cost £99.50."

IN TORN T-shirt and tatty jeans, with tattoos,

armpits and acres of flesh on show, Russell Brand delivered a most important message to the House of Commons Home Affairs Committee, currently considering drug abuse. His message was: Look at me.

ACTUALLY, Brand was appealing for drug addicts to be treated with compassion. Curiously enough, it is hard to show much compassion when some junkie with a knife is demanding your wallet.

Graph Gr

flooding into London to make the most of the pickpocketing at the 2012 Olympics. Meanwhile the EU, whose open-border policy makes this nightmare possible, is demanding a 6.8 per cent rise in its budget. So that's two examples of daylight robbery.

#### 00000000

WE HUMBLE subjects of the United Kingdom were graciously granted a referendum on propor-tional representation. We may be granted one on reform of the House of Lords. But a referendum on leaving the European Union? Not a cat in hell's chance. What this country really needs is a referenchaince. What this country really needs is a referendum on whether we should be allowed referendums on issues that actually matter.

IN LABORATORY tests designed to find a cure for blindness, it is reported that four out of nine

mice implanted with new cells in their eyes managed to swim towards an exit. I am assuming the other five ran after the farmer's wife.

I SUPPOSE we cannot argue with the survey of 6,000 shoppers which proves that Ikea is now Britain's favourite store. But such surveys tend to overlook those millions of Brits for whom any form of shopping is an admission of defeat and a purgatory to be avoided at all costs. They are called men.

I WONDER how many people, nursing their loved ones with terminal illnesses, tuned in to Radio 4's religious spot at the weekend to hear some God-botherer telling us that the really great thing about death is how it makes us appreciate life all the more. I dream for the day when technology enables us to reach inside the radio and punch such clots very hard on the nose. Ironically, Auntie Beeb will not allow atheists to contribute to Thought for the Day - on the grounds that they might cause offence.

"APRIL showers bring forth . . . May showers."

BBC monthly forecast, trying to make light of heavy

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# Music mogul proves you can follow your dreams

STEVE Jenkins is one of the most powerful figures in the music industry.

industry.

He was managing director of the world's largest independent record label, and he helped discover Britney Spears.

His partnership with Coventry-born Pete Waterman led to the production of some of the biggest selling albums of all time.

And it all began at Walsall's long-demolished George Hotel, sometime around 1970.

For a few brief moments, Steve pauses to relive his youth. He casts a wistful gaze as he recalls how his life changed the day the Radio 1 Roadshow came to town, his hands move quickly as he tries to recapture the moment. "I can still see myself there now, I was leaning against the back wall, and Emperor Rosko was on the stage with his two turntables.

bles.
"I was about 14 or 15, and that was definitely the moment I wanted to be a DJ. "I saw the lights, the radio presenters running around. I had never seen anything like that before."

around. I had never seen anything like that before."

teve, now 56, returned to his home town this week for the launch of his autobiography The Future Is In The Past, published by Anchor Print Group and available online via Amazon. The bookwas launched at the town's New Art Gallery last week. Like virtually every youngster of a certain generation, his formative years were spent listening to different sounds on the Dansette record player at his home in Bloxwich.

"Probably from around 10 years of age, I had two loves, music and football," he says.

"I tried for a long time to perfect Cliff Richard's quiff, lashing on Brylcreem to hold the creation in place.

Beatles

"My first album my father bought me for

"My first album my father bought me for my 10th birthday, it was Please Please Me by The Beatles – I think that was another critical

oment. As soon as he decided music was going to be

Mas soon as he decided music was going to be his true vocation in life, the next stage was to make it a reality.

"I knew I had to amass a record collection, and I had to buy some equipment to perform with," says Steve. "I worked four nights a week on the petrol pumps at the Mobil garage by the Arboretum, and in the day time I got myself a job in Kwik Fit.

"On Saturdays I worked in my father's shop, the shoe department of the Walsall Coopin Bridge Street, and by the age of 17 I managed to buy a Vauxhall Victor estate and some DJ equipment.

"My first gig was at Pelsall Community Centre, and the fee that I would have been paid was £6, but they gave me an extra £2 for being very good.

"That taught me you should always do your very best."

very best."

As his name became known, he found himself working the many pubs and clubs that were popular on the disco scene in the

"They were very happy times, I was doing exactly what I wanted to do, you used to be able to chat a bit between the records in those

days."

He hoped to become a broadcaster, working in radio, but found it tough getting a break, and in 1973 he decided to try his hand

Jenkins talks to MARK ANDREWS as he launches his autobiography



Steve Jenkins with his Britney Spears





Steve Jenkins with collaborator and fellow Saddlers fan Pete Waterman

Steve Jenkins with musical hero Billy Ocean

working in the record industry as a regional promotions manager.

At first he was a little unsure "'I didn't see music as a commodity, I was an entertainer" – but he quickly changed his ind "Why was", see music as a commodity, I was an enter-tainer" — but he quickly changed his mind. "When you've got your own record to promote, when you see the radio play you have secured affects the position, and then a television appearance affects the position, and you see it rising up the charts, that becomes addictive." His first hit record was the re-release of the Small Faces' Itchycoo Park, peaking at No 8 in January, 1975. His first No 1 came two years later, when he guided Leo Sayer's When I Need You to the top spot. He says one of the high spots of his career was discovering Britney Spears, while he was managing director of Jive Records in 1997. "We had sat on Baby One More Time

"We had sat on Baby One More Time

for two years, we knew it would be a hit but we hadn't found the right artist to record it," he recalls. "Britney came to audition for us, she was with the Mickey Mouse Club at that time. She was perfect

for that record, we knew she was right."
At the moment he is busy promoting the comeback tours for Steps and The Backstreet Boys, and through all that time he never lost sight of his other love of football.

#### **Saddlers**

Steve has been a devoted Saddlers fan ever since his grandfather first took him to Fellows Park at the age of eight. At the height of his career he would fly from Los Angeles or New York to watch his beloved side play. He introduced friend Peter Waterman to the Saddlers in the 1980s, and says the campaign to

promote Steps' album in the '90s was almost entirely devised in the back of a car on the way to games.

He has never lost his love of his home town, either. A former pupil of Joseph Leckie School and Walsall Technical College, he says apart from the times when he was working in the US, not a month has gone by when he hasn't returned to his home town.

"Imoved away to pursue my career, but I never wanted to leave Walsall, that's why I keep coming back," he says. "In my heart I still live here."

He hopes his story will also encourage youngsters to chase their dreams.

"It can be a rough road, I ve had my ups and downs but at least when you have the downs you are doing what you believe in.

"I hope I can inspire kids to follow their dream. I know that's what I did."



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### Man found with drain covers gets supervision

A MAN from Walsall who was caught by police fleeing from a van containing £7,500 worth of stolen drain covers has been given a 12-

month supervision order.

Amos Price fled from the van containing 15 drain covers belonging to Walsall Council.

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Council.

Maggie Meakin, prosecuting, told Walsall Magistrates
that Price was in the van
with another man on March
19 at around 4am when the
police decided to pull over
the vehicle in Bloxwich
Road.

Ms Meakin said, despite
police putting on their blue
lights, the van failed to stop
until Proffitt Street, when
the two man ran away."

The police apprehended
the men and found 15 drain
covers inside the van.
Price, aged 22, of Leckie

covers inside the van.
Price, aged 22, of Leckie
Road, pleaded not guilty to
handling stolen goods but
was found guilty.
Sheila Hicklin, defending,
insisted Price had no knowledge of the drain covers.
She told the court that he
had spent the evening at his
girlfriend's address and
that, at around 4am, he went
outside to smoke.
She said he took shelter in
a van which pulled up as he

She said he took shelter in a van which pulled up as he finished his cigarette. The vehicle then sped off.

He was given a community order, a 12-month supervision order, and ordered to do 20 hours of unpaid community service, with £310 costs.

#### **Trainee manager** stole from safe at petrol station

A TRAINEE manager stole more then £15,000 from a Walsall petrol station. Majid Walsall petrol station. Majid Hussain, of Alum Rock, had been left in charge at the Shell Bluecoat garage in the town centre.

Wolverhampton Crown Court heard that £15,145 went missing from the safe.

Mr Warren Stanier, prosecuting, said CCTV footage was checked and Hussain was seen in the early hours by the safe, another member

was seen in the early hours by the safe, another member of staff was found to be open. Hours later a relative of Hussain's arrived and he handed over £7,000 in cash. Hussain told police he had stolen the money because of his gambling addiction. Hussain and 26 of Dorl-Hussain and 26 of Dorl-

nis gambing addiction.
Hussain, aged 26, of Doricote Road, admitted theft.
He was ordered to carry out
150 hours unpaid work and
placed on supervision for a
year. He faces a hearing
under the Proceeds of Crime
Act

## Jail sentence for thugs not long enough, says mother



Neil Hickman

THE PRISON sentences given to Neil Hickman and Myles Holder, who wrecked the life of an inno-cent teenage, have been criticised by the victim's mother.

Jake Jarvis spent 18 days in intensive care and two months in hospital following the attack on New Year's Eve outside The Royal Oak in Portobello when a bottle was smashed on his head and he was stamped on. Hickman and Holder, both 23, were

jailed for seven-and-a-half and two-

and-a-half years respectively.
Mr Jarvis's mother Sharon McEntee

from Great Barr said it was "not long enough for what they have done".
"It has caused lasting damage to my son. He will be carrying the after-effects of this for the rest of his life."

**Brutality** 

Brutality
Mr Jarvis, aged 19 from Darlaston, suffered head injuries that has left him unable to use either his right arm or move his right leg below the knee.
West Midlands Police Detective Sergeant Steve Walters, who investigated the case, said: "He is a good lad with a lot to live for but that life has been permanently damaged by the mindless brutality of his attackers."

Mr Jarvis was beaten up while waiting for a taxi home with other New Year revellers at 4am. He suffered severe depressed fractures of the skull and two injuries of the brain after Hickman hurled a vodka bottle at his

Hickman hurled a vodka bottle at his head. His head was also kicked by Hickman and stamped on by Holder Hickman, of Clarence Road, Bilston, admitted wounding with intent. Holder, of Vaughan Road, Portobello, pleaded guilty to grievous bodily harm. Judge John Warner told the court: "This was a dreadful attack that has had annuling consequences His life

had appalling consequences. His life has been blighted."



# **Homes crisis sees London** families moved to borough

more than 130 miles to Walsall to reduce housing waiting lists in the capital.

Council chiefs at Waltham Forest are relocating their residents to 27 homes in the borough, with one person having so far made the move and more to follow in the coming weeks.

weeks.

It emerged earlier this year that families left homeless following the riots in London had been given the chance to transfer to Walsall by Croydon Council. More than 250 families snubbed that ffor the chance to transfer to Walsall by Croydon Council. More unit is higher, seems that 250 families snubbed that ffor the chance of th thatoffer.

But now residents from Waltham Forest, in the north-east of London, are being moved into 27 Pleck properties owned by a private landford.

#### Preference

Walsall Council are set to complain to the Government on the issue.

Tim Johnson, Walsall Council's executive director with responsibility for housing, said: "We are disappointed that Waltham Forest has chosen not to inform the council about this move.

"We appreciate the diffi-

"We appreciate the diffi-culties faced by Waltham Forest but asking some of its

most vulnerable residents to move to another part of the country, where unemploy-ment is higher, seems unlikely to provide solutions for their residents." Walsall Council leader Mike Bird said: "I would like

Walsall Council leader Mike Bird said: "I would like to know why aren't these properties being made avail able to the people in Walsall and, if they are, why are the people of Walsall not taking them?"

them?"

It has been suggested that benefit claimants are being moved because of a cap on payments introduced by the Government.

Government.

A statement from Wattham Forest said:
"Whilst housing people outside the borough is not ideal, we do so because of the lack of accommodation in Wattham Forest for the 21,000 people on our control of the statement o 21,000 people on housing waiting list."

# Acoustic duo perform POPULAR venue Bookmark Bloxwich is getting ready to

POPULAR venue Bookmark Bloxwich is getting ready to rock with another night of live music on Saturday Hayes and Hunt, who will be taking to the theatre stage in Elmore Row, Bloxwich, after their previous planned appearance at the venue was called off due to a blizzard. Steve Hayes is lead singer/guitarist with highly acclaimed Nearly Dan and Lester Hunt is lead guitarist with the famous Climax Blues Band, now celebrating 40 years in the music business. The talented pair will be performing their take on classics by Sting, Gerry Rafferty and Jimi Hendrix, to name but a few. to name but a few.

to name but a few.

Stuart Williams of Bloxwich Library Forum said: "Hayes and Hunt are well known around the UK for their acoustic set, which includes songs from many musical genres."

Doors open at 8pm for an 8.30pm start, and there will be a bar. Tickets cost £5, call (01922) 655900.



Jack Mason, aged 16, and Raegan Burton, aged 17, with fellow performers

## Students' show is a hit with children

STUDENTS delighted younger pupils in Willenhall with a series of polished per-formances which raised cash for schools.

for schools.
Youngsters from Willenhall E-Act Academy took time out from lessons at their Furzebank Way school to stage variety shows for nursery, infant and junior school children.
The actors, dancers and singers entertained youngsters from Lane Head Nursery, Rosedale Cofe Infant and Short Heath Junior pupils.

#### Autographs

Autographs
The audiences were so spellbound by the performances they were queuing up with books and pens asking for autographs when the curtain came down.
Stuart Brown, spokesman for The Friends of the Federation which raises funds for the nursery, infant and junior schools, said the shows raised £183 from ticket sales.

ticket sales.
"A lot of these children

"A lot of these children will go through the infant and junior schools and on to the academy," he said.
"We had contemporary dance, a street dance group, female singers, a male singer – the children absolutely loved it."

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#### Young work with elderly

PUPILS from a school in Pelsall have teamed up with care home residents to work together on art

Residents at Pelsall Hall care home, in Para-dise Lane, were visited by pupils from St Michael's School as part of a commu-nity project.

The youngsters have been visiting weekly and the group has already painted birdhouses and bird feeders.

#### School expansion gets a green light

A NEW classroom and office will be created at a Walsall primary school under plans agreed by council planners.

St Thomas of Canterbury School, in Dartmouth Avenue, has received the go-ahead for a new front extension, lobby and secretary's office as well as a new classroom at the rear. A link will be created between nursery and reception classrooms.

#### Get fit for fun at active family day

BUSINESSES promoting health and fitness can showcase their services at a special family event in Aldridge this summer.

The fit 'n' fun day is being held at Aldridge Community Centre, Anchor Meadow, on August 13.

Funded through Walsall Funded through Walsall Area Partnership, the event is geared towards providing people with access to services and activities which encour-age healthy lifestyles.

#### Best dressed at village festival

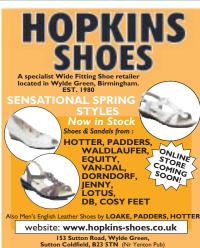
COMPETITIONS have been launched to find the best dressed shop window and most attractive gardens in Caldmore.

gardens in Caldmore. Creative residents and members of the business community are invited to enter as part of ongoing preparations for the 2012 Caldmore Village Festival. Both contests attract major interest.

#### Art goes on show

PAINTINGS of land-The display will be at the Atrium Gallery in Blakenall Village Centre, Thames Road, from May 28 to July 9.





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# **Public views sought on** plans for better roads

carried out over road improvement plans on a busy Darlaston route plagued by speeding

drivers.

The A462 Midland Road has been earmarked for work between Bilston Lane and The Green following concerns from residents about accidents.

Around £15,000 is expected to be spent along Midland Road leading onto Owen Road on road markings, signs, surface work and reducing the carriageway via cycle lanes.

lanes.
Steve Pretty, head of service for engineering and transportation, said: Midland Road has been identified as a Local Safety Scheme and has been prioritised for construction during this financial year April 2012 to March 2013.

#### Crossing

"The scheme is currently being developed to a stage that will permit public consultation. It is likely that the scheme will propose cycle lanes along Midland Road to support cycling along the route, introduce crossing points to assist pedestrians in crossing the road and seek to improve signing and lining along the length."

More than £100,000 has also been suggested for a second scheme on The Green although this is unlikely to go-ahead this year.

#### **Cake decorating session** for Rosie's Helping Hands

A CUPCAKE decorating session will be held next month to raise money for a charity in Walsall.

The event is at the Aldridge Compass Suites, at The Green, on May 15 from 7.30pm and costs £5.

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Proceeds go to Rosie's Helping Hands.
For more details call (01922) 456398.

## Carnival's royal gift



Bloxwich Carnival royalty, from left, Princess Amelia Ellis, Queen Alice Jones, and Rosebud Megan Leigh Small, ready for the summer event

THE admission fee to Bloxwich Carnival will be waived this year to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The event is taking place on June 16 at King George V Playing Fields in Stafford Road from midday.

This year's carnival queen is Alice Jones, the carnival princess is Amelia Ellis and carnival rosebud is Megan Leigh Small.

John Millard, Walsall Council senior ranger, said: "This year's carnival will definitely be one to remember with this generous offer of free admission.

"It's a great gesture from the organisers and will give all the family the opportunity to enjoy a brilliant day out, packed with activities and fun."

The carnival will begin with a The carnival will begin with a parade led by the carnival queen and her attendants who will travel in a horse and carriage from the rear of All Saints Church along High Street and into the Stafford Road entrance of the playing fields.

The carnival queen will be crowned at about 12.30pm.

#### **Pub meal outing** planned in aid of hospice care

A TRIP to a real ale pub in Worcester from Walsall is being organised to raise cash for St Giles Walsall Hospice, in Goscote Lane. The WS3 Friends of Walsall Hospice group is organising a coach to take

people to the Royal Oak on May 15 for a two-course carvery meal. It costs £20. Call (01922) 479949 for details. The hospice is also urging people to support its Sponsor a Nurse Appeal to help pay for its around-the-clock care.

The £5.5m facility opened to patients last April and provides specialist care for patients living with cancer and other serious illnesses. To donate or for information call (01922)

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# **Blueprint to boost** the town's econo

## Abigail ran for aunt



Pelsall pupils cheer teaching assistant Abigail Wright for her run

A TEACHING assistant has boosted the coffers of a charity supporting hospice care throughout the UK by running in the London Marathon. Abigail Wright, from Walsall, who works at St Michael's Primary in Pelsall, raised more than £2,000 for Help The Hospices and completed

A TEACHING assistant has boosted the race in 5hr 20min 29sec. The 33-the coffers of a charity supporting year-old, of Four Crosses Road, hospice care throughout the UK by running in the London Marathon.

Abigail Weight, from Walsall, who who died last year from a brain for the control of th tumour. She received care from St Giles Hospice at Whittington, near Lichfield.

up to revitalise Walsall's economy - which include a new app for phones and computers - are now to be considered by the council

cabinet.

Working groups have studied ways of encouraging the launch and growth of new businesses, making a series of recommendations as a result. They were approved by the council's regeneration scrutiny and performance panel, with members saying they intend to keep the matter under review.

It comes after a report to the committee revealed half of firms set up in the borough fail within four years and business creation and survival rates are falling behind the national average.

#### Suggestions

Two working groups were set up last year after the panel heard about Walsall's poor economic performance. Chairman of the scrutiny panel, Councillor Ian Shires, said suggestions to boost the economy included developing an app for smart phones and tablet computers.

He said it would point people with business ideas in the right direction, while offering firms advice in areas like taking on apprentices and expansion. "It would be a smart way of doing business," he said.

"This is all ongoing. We want to develop this. There's going to be a review in six months time."

He said making sure people were skilled

months time."

He said making sure people were skilled for the roles being created in Walsall was important.

Councillor Shires added: "Jaguar Land Rover on the i54 site is creating a lot of industry with high end jobs. We need to make sure we have got the skill sets that are needed."

Councillor Dennis Anson said it was important to encourage young people to train for jobs in engineering and manufac-



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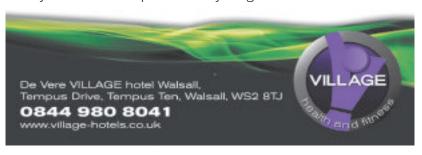
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#### LETTERS

## Vehicles encroaching on the mon pose threat to village

CARS and more cars, commercial vehicles in abundance are gracing the High Street of Pelsall, blocking the road and mounting footpaths.

Who's complaining when the new Pelsall Village Centre will benefit the reisail Village Centre will benefit the community at large? Who's suffering when the High Street road is full of pot holes, pavement slabs are cracked and likely to trip-up pedestrians, and numerous hold-up's to through traffic due to parked vehicles and builders' lorries.?

Yes! There is plenty of space for on-road parking on adjoining streets but

will drivers find those spaces when the green grass of the Common is so inviting and probably closer to their destination? No!

Let us not fool ourselves councillors, the problem of parking will not go away whilst the village centre is still being completed, followed in time by people using the services who will also want to park 'next' to the entrance of the centre.

We would suggest to those strug-

the centre.

We would suggest to those struggling to reach the existing medical centre by car – who normally alight next to its entrance in inclement weather because of a disability, or in urgent need for medical attention – now is the time to speak out!

To those who wish the Common to be preserved in a fit state for all to enjoy, keeping vehicles off the grass and not blocking the roads across the Common,

speak out! Then maybe not only will the village

Then maybe not only will the village benefit from the new services of Pelsall Village Centre but also preserve the Common, which is PELSALL.
Tackling the problem of parking in the village and protecting the Common must be given priority, not later in the year when the centre is fully occupied. "Wait-and-see" is not an option.

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This time I'm starting a

This time I'm starting a "pillow campaign" when I'm back to my old self.

MRS ALICE PRICE Winn House Burrowes Street Walsall

## **LETTERS** to the Editor

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## **Afghan military bill** reaches £17 billion

A PARLIAMENTARY reply showing that so far some £17 billion has been spent on military operations in

Afghanistan.
For some time now, I have urged that the British combat role should come to an end. This is not a war that can be won, as such. It has now lasted nearly twice as long as the second world war.

second world war.
Following the events of 9/11 in the US, and the refusal of
the Taliban to ask al-Qaeda to leave Afghanistan, it is
understandable NATO, including of course Britain, should

However, all the indications were that following the military operations this had been accomplished a long time

ago.
The government has said that British operations will end in 2014. I think most people in this country would like to see it ended even earlier.

The final sum will certainly be above the £17 billion, and sadly more of our soldiers are likely to die or be seriously

AVID WILLIA House of Commons London DAVID WINNICK MP

# Hog-tied

A TERRORIST sympathiser enters this country illegally and somehow attains British citizenship. He, and his family, are then accommo-dated and supported at taxpayers expense.

His hatred for the host

His hatred for the host country and, indeed, the Western world, is a matter of record. He flatly refuses to leave our shores, and uses the legal system to remain here. Numerous attempts to extradite him have been flouted by his legal represen-tatives, who draw on the sublic purse for funding

tatives, who draw on the public purse for funding.

Lest his "human rights" be infringed by returning him to face jurisdiction in the country from which he came, he remains among us until such time as the European Court of Human Rights decides otherwise.

Instead of testing legal procedures to exhaustion at enormous expense, let us proceed immediately to a

enormous expense, let us proceed immediately to a referendum on our with-drawal from the iniquitous EU, by which legislation we are hog-tied.

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## First for pork, pies and pasties



Meat the team – prize winning butchers, from left, Mark Turner, Aden Marsh and Steve Turner at George Turner and Sons in Pelsall Stilton sausage, Pelsall old English sausage, and pork onion and mustard sausage.

George Turner & Sons is run by brothers Mark and Stephen Turner, who have won awards for the shop's products in the past.

products in the past

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A TRADITIONAL family butchers has taken home a string of awards for its pies, pasties and sausages.

or its pies, pasties and sausages.
George Turner & Sons in High
Street, Pelsall, landed four gold
medals and six two silver awards at
The National Meat Products Competition at Birmingham NEC.
First prizes were awarded for the
Pelsall pasty, pork and duck pie,
pork Stilton and spring onion
sausage, and poachers pie.

Silver prizes were also awarded for the faggots in gravy dish, pork sausage, Pelsall hot pot, beef and

will offer rewards to people in exchange for their voluntary services will launch next week.

services will launch next week.

The Village Hub will open its doors in Caldmore Green on Thursday, May 10. It will be used by local agencies and professionals to deliver advice and guidance workshops on matters relating to training and volunteering. The hub will also be used as an exhibition space showcasing local talent.

The project has been funded in part through Walsall South Area Partnership for Caldmoreaccord Housing Association.

Margot Lambert, director for communities and arts for Caldmoreaccord Housing Association, said: "The hub will also be the base from which we will run Walsall's first Time Bank, Time For Real, as a pilot scheme for six months with the aim of then going Walsall wide.

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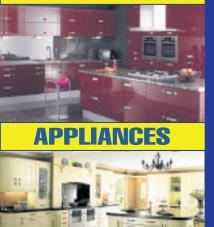


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# **Severn Trent blame** sewage flooding misery on blockages

spent on tackling sewage flooding in Streetly after gardens were left covered in up to six inches of water.

water.

One family has suffered 18 floods in just over a decade despite not being connected to the main system, with the most recent happening in March.

Alison Owen and her husband Paul of Daneways Close returned from holiday to find the sewage in their back garden, which had flowed through a side passage to the front lawn. front lawn

Severn Trent Water are now working to clear the blockage and blamed residents in the area for flushing rags down the sewer. It is the latest problem in the Streetly area after a burst water pipe left 150 homes in the Blackwood Estate area under 3ft of water latest rags. last year

last year.

Some families who have already spent months away say it may be up to another six months until work is completed.

Mrs Owen, aged 50, of Daneways Close, said: "We have had problems since we moved in, and when it happens it stinks and is disgusting.

"It has been close to the house before and

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{last time it was six inches high} \\ \text{with the stench unbearable.} \\ \textbf{Strain} \end{array}$ 

"We haven't been able to do anything with the garden as we don't know when it is going to

happen."
She added a number of apart-She added a number of apart-ments have gone up on the sites of former detached homes, putting extra strain on the system.
Severn Trent says it will have to dig 40 feet down to get to the blockage.
Work is due to take place in the adjacent Manor Road and cost (255 000) to remove with bosses.

£250,000 to remove, with bosses insisting it could have been avoided if items were disposed of

avoided if items were disposed of correctly.

Jo Morris, customer operations manager for the area, said: "Like a lot of customers in the area, we are disappointed that people are still disposing of their items like this.

"The sewers aren't meant to take it and it causes a lot of misory."

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## Lollipop man steps in to help pupils at crossing

A LOLLIPOP man has been recruited to help youngsters cross a busy road outside a school.

Liaquat Hussain, aged 33, of Camden Street, Walsall, took up the role outside the town's Palfrey Junior School after hearing about a 10-year-old girl being hit by a car nearby about six months ago.

He is the first crossing warden the in Milton Street school has had in about a decade

decade.
Headteacher Gary Thornton said:
"There's a high volume of children that
cross the road on a daily basis.

#### Misses

"On winter mornings when the road is icy, we've had many near misses.

"One 10-year-old girl was hit six months ago while running from one side to the other. Luckily, she had no significant injuries.

"It's been a real accident waiting to happen situation."
Father-of-three Mr Hussain said: "I put my name forward after hearing there was an incident when a girl ran out into the road."



Bid to boost safety for pupils – lollipop man Liaquat Hussain with hea teacher Gary Thornton and Neighbourhood Watch chairman Mohammed Rafiq by the road in front of Palfrey Junior School

## Queen' of Northern Soul scene dies

A BLACK Country dancing queen who Holmes and originally came from Wolverhampton, and in Stafford

A BLACK Country dancing queen who was the "darling" of legendary soul music clubs in the region, has died after an 18-month battle against cancer.

Helen Pereira's husband, Ian, a disc jockey nicknamed "Pep", described her as "queen of the go-go" and his "beloved wife and soulmate of 40 years" in a moving tribute to her.

Helen, whose maiden name was "Holmes and originally came from Coseley, died in hospital in Aberysta Why, aged 58.

Shops

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## College project wins at Wembley



On the money – Walsall College's winning team are pictured, centre, after joint victory in a national competition

A TEAM of young people from Walsall is cele-brating success at Wembley Stadium after winning the England final of Lloyds TSB's Money for Life Challenge.

Money for Life Challenge.

The students scooped the prestigious People's Prize in the national competition designed to inspire people to improve their money management skills.

Walsall College's innovative Walsave Project was crowned the People's Prize joint winner at last week's event in London after they impressed their peers and judges.

The young people involved in 'Walsave Project' have been proving their credentials as money saving experts by

giving fellow students an insight into a local not-for-profit credit union and providing a college based accessible savings service to help students budget and plan for their

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Gail Houghton, Student Finance and Support co-ordinator at Walsall College said: "As the costs of studying continue to increase the students felt it was important to develop a credit union accessible to students at the college, to encourage people to think about saving even small amounts. The team members have each benefitted from the project and are all greatly looking forward to seeing their project continue next year as a legacy to other students in the college."

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# 25 tons of rubbish is cleared out of the canal

ing a toilet, mopeds, road signs and shopping trolleys were fished out of the water during a clean-up of the Walsall canal network.

Walsall canal network.

The clean-up of over 10 miles of the waterways was carried out by more than 200 volunteers. Specialist grappling irons were used to scrape to the bottom of both the Walsall Canal and Wyrley and Essington stretch.

The clean-up started from Wolverhampton Street, Walsall, and went as far as Little Bloxwich and Sneyd.

Four boats were used to collect the rubbish and five skips of dumped belongings were filled. The scrap metal will be sold to raise money for canal societies.

societies.
Volunteers from around the country arrived to support the Dudley Canal Trust, Coombeswood and Birmingham Canal Navigation Society and Waterways Recovery Group in co-ordinating the operation with the Inland Waterways Association.

#### Youngsters

Among the volunteers were youngsters from the Foundation Learning Programme at Bloxwich Community Partnership's Electric Palace, who were recruited to clean towpaths and remove debris on a 10-mile stretch of canal which circles the borough.

Louise Davies, a learner on the Foundation Learning programme, was one of those taking part. "I had a good time, it was messy but fun, it was nice to do something to help other people," she said.

Spokesman Dave Pearson said the two-day event gave people the chance to learn more about local waterways while encouraging pride in the

"On the Saturday we had approximately 90 people helping, with 70 taking part on Sunday," he said.



The Inland Waterways Association Chairman Dave Pearson with Steve Bingham, Dave Newell, Heidi Yardley and Wayne Silvester from the Dudley Canal Trust help clear the canal in Walsall



Helping to spring clean the canal in Bloxwich are youngsters, from left, Nicole Garratley, Daniel Davis, Louise Davies and Bloxwich Community Partnership Centre Manager Sue Harvey







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# **Rogue riders blamed** for trouble on track

## Brownies' pirate fun



Dressed up to see Swallows and Amazons are members of 3rd St Martin's Brownies, from Walsall, outside the Grand Theatre

BROWNIES from Walsall really took the plot to heart when the chil-dren's classic Swallows And Amazons was staged at Wolver-hampton's Grand Theatre last

for the occasion as pirates when they took their seats for curtain went up on the opening night. There were girls aged seven to 16 from up to 60 packs and units throughout Walsall, Dudley, Wolver-hampton and Sandwell. Around 550 of them were dressed

causing a nuisance to neigh-

The track at Hobs Hole Lane, Aldridge, is owned by Walsall Motorcycle Club and is used for four to five motocross meetings a

used for four to IIVE MOULTUSS INCLUDE year.

But Terry Braid, vice chairman of the club, said when the track was closed trespassers were forcing their way onto the land with their bikes.

Mr Braid, who has been a member of the club for 30 years, said: "Last time, at the end of March, they cut through timber hoardings which we put up to block it off. "It causes an annoyance to neighbours. It has happened dozens of times. It has been going on for about 20 years periodically, mainly on Sundays."

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Stolen

He said the track was surrounded by gates to make it secure but said they had been stolen in the past.
He added: "People who take their dogs up there warn us that we've got a rogue rider or riders on the track, or sometimes we see them. It's annoying for the neighbours and it doesn't do the club any good. We get a bad name."

name."
The club formed in 1949 and has about 60 members, aged 10 and upwards. The track is usually used between March and October.

#### Garden open to public

AN AWARD-WINNING garden in Walsall will open to the public later this month.

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## Keyleigh's image is a cut above

A WALSALL College hairdressing student picked up third prize in the finals of a competition which encourages budding young hairdressers to showcase their talent.

Keyleigh Bowater, aged 18, picked up the award in the Francesco Group photographic competition, which involved students giving their models a cut, colour and finish to create an avant-garde look and submitting a colour photograph as proof of entry.

Ceremony

The winners were announced at an awards ceremony earlier this month at the Heart of England Conference and Events Centre in Warwickshire.

Events Centre in Warwicksnire.

The competition was open to all of the Francesco Group's college partners across the UK and four of the 20 finalists were Walsall College students.

Keyleigh, who won the bronze award, said: "I can't wait to pursue a career in hairdressing once I finish my course."

## Vampire author to sign his latest book

BEST-selling author of teen horror stories Darren Shan is coming to Wolverhampton to sign copies of his latest book at Waterstones on Saturday.

The prolific Irish writer, real name Darren O'Shaughnessy, has had international success with his series of books The Saga of Darren Shan. These include the vampire character Larten Crepsley introduced in Cirque Du Freak, which was turned into a hit movie.

Shan will be signing copies of Brothers To The Death, the fourth and final instalment in The Saga of Larten Crepsley, at the Victoria Street book store from 11am.



Hairdressing student Keyleigh Bowater, aged 18, with her contest award and prize winning photograph

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Flight, a role demonstration from the RAF's Tornado including pyrotechnics, the vintage pair Meteor and Vampire and the Royal Naval Historic Flight, just to name a few, this year's show is set to be one of the most exciting yet.

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#### **Exhibits**

Exhibits

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Tickets will be £25 on the gate (only cash on the day), £20 in advance and free for children under 16 when accompanied by an

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Show will feature a display by the breathtaking Red Arrows



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Eurofighter Typhoon (above left) and Spitfires will make an appearance

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Which 2012 display will include the use of pyrotechnics?

Send answer on a postcard with your name, address and contact number to Air Show Competition, Chronicle series (editorial),51-53 Queen Street, Wolverhampton, WV1 TIES. Closing date: Thursday, May 10. Usual rules apply. Editor's decision is final. Entrants must be 18 or over







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#### **CLUB NEWS**

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# Guest keeps his presented Witts about him

## PELSALL 'E' TOWNSWOMEN

THE annual Federation THE annual Federation Dinner was again held at the Terrace Restaurant, Brownhills. Members enjoyed a delicious meal and the usual lively roll call of the 16 guilds forming the South Staffordshire Federation.

Margaret Worrall and Flora Petty were presented with the Federation Bowls Shield by chairman Shirley Aulton. Entertainment was by Lisa Jayne Smith as

by Lisa Jayne Smith as 'Marie Lloyd', a late substi-tute for the absent speaker. Bridgemere Garden World

tute for the absent speaker. Bridgemere Garden World and Dagfields Craft & Antique Centre were ideal locations for a trip on a dull, showery April day. The formal part of the meeting on April 19 concluded with the presentation of a certificate and badge to Brenda Dyke in recognition of 25 years membership.

Brenda Dyke in recognition of 25 years membership. Jim Wall of Bloxwich Research & Metal Detecting Club was an enthusiastic speaker. The competition for the most popular metal ornament was won by Irene Williams and Shirley Chester. Angela Lawrence won the raffle. The next Lunch Club meeting is on May 29 at Essington Country Kitchen at Essington Fruit Farm. Details from Margaret Tolley on 01922 684647. There is no official meeting on May 17. Members will be enjoying the guild's 49th birthday dinner at the Beverley Hotel at the Beverley Hotel dinner at t in Walsall.



From left; Gloria Crannage, chairman Jane Emery, Chris Witts and Greta Fellows

CHAIRMAN Jane Emery welcomed members to the April meeting and intro-duced Chris Witts who gave a most interest-ing insight into the history of the River Severn, from the working barges carrying

grain to present day cruisers.

The Vote of thanks was given by Jeanette
Babb. Members were reminded to choose their menu for the celebration Royal Jubilee lunch at Patshull Park in June with enter-

#### CAMEO LADIES

tainment by Maggie O'Hara.The next meeting on Monday, May 14, will feature a bring & buy for the "Coffee & Cream" charity. It is at the Mercure Goldthorn Hotel and will also feature a talk on the history of Bournville.

further information contact 01902

# Speaker earns her crust

THE AGM was well-attended and was followed by a general knowledge quiz won by the Chris Eccleshall team who all received chocolates as prizes.

Lunch at the Plough & Harrow, Hednesford, was an outstanding success, while the annual Federation Dinner at the Terrace **HEDNESFORD** A TWG

restaurant, Brownhills was a very good evening. Entertainment was provided by Marie Lloyd.

Gayton, with y Bread' told Glynnis Gayton, with 'Our Daily Bread' told members at the April 2

meeting of the history of the five generations of her bakery and read out humor-ous entries from her grand-father's diary written during the war years. On May 14 Magragest Form

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St John's Church, Walsall Wood, mid 1800s

# Coal and bricks vital to growth of Walsall Wood

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Before the 1880s, it was on the outer edges of Cannock Wood, the earliest recorded community being at Bullings

recorded community being at Bullings
Heath, now the junction of Green
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Coppiee Wood was originally
Goblin's Pit Wood, where limestone
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In 1841 Walsall Wood's population
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Shelfield Colliery. Between 1871 and 1891, when Walsall Wood Colliery opened and expanded, it rose to 3,242. At this time a police station, gas and sewage works, plus a post office were established to serve the growing com-

#### Coalfield

Walsall Wood during the 1800s, transporting coal and raw materials for the iron and steel industries of surrounding Black Country towns.

In 1841 Walsall Wood's population was 900, mainly home-based nail and chain makers, plus boatmen and brickmakers. Brickmaking was an important local industry, at one time six large brickyards produced the famous Staffordshire Blue Bricks.

By 1851, the population was 1,142, mainly due to miners working

were introduced in 1904, replaced by buses in 1927.
Serving what was primarily a mining community, St John's parish church has on display a miners lamp inscribed with the names of victims of the 1930 Grove Pit Disaster, and a

the 1930 Grove Pit Disaster, and a stained glass window dedicated to local miners.

In 1966 Walsall Wood became part of Aldridge-Brownhills Urban District and underwent considerable development. The 'Wood' renewed its ancient connection with Walsall in 1974, when the village left Staffordshire, becoming part of the new Walsall Metropolitan Borough.

tan Borough.

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Brownhills Musical Theatre Company Brownhills Musical Theatre Company are staging the show about a show that aims to be a flop at the Lichfield Garrick nightly this week to Saturday. The musical will bring a distinct change of tone from last year's Beauty and the Beast.

Beast.

The comedy musical tells of a showbiz scam. It it features singing Nazis in the story of a struggling Broadway impresario who discovers he can make more money from a flop than a hit. Twice-aweek rehearsals have been in progress since the beginning of January with a cast ranging in age from teenagers to octogenarians.

narians.
The company's Pete Smith said: "It will

The company's Pete Smith said: "It will be one of the funniest nights out ever. It's politically incorrect, very satirical and the music is good too."

The company are giving six performances including a matinee on May 5. Tickets priced £13 to £17, are available from the box office on 01543 412121 or visit the www.brownhillsmtc.co.uk website.



Pete Smith from Brownhills Musical Theatre Company, who are staging Mel Brooks's The Producers at Lichfield Garrick theatre this week

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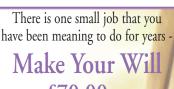


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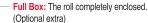
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#### Pupils perform Shakespeare at Stratford

YOUNG actors from a Walsall school have been chosen to represent the borough at the World Shake-

borough at the World Shakespeare Festival.
Children from Ryders
Hayes School in Pelsall will
be treading the boards at the
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work. Teachers at the school

work. Teachers at the school were trained by Fi Ross, a director at the Royal Shake-speare Company, to teach acting techniques. Workshops were then held followed by a professional state of the control lowed by a performance of The Merchant Of Venice.

Pupils will perform their scene from the play on the famous stage on July 3.

is played by Bernie Nolan, former lead singer of The Nolans and a finalist on TV's Popstar to Opera Star.

The show, featuring such songs as All That Jazz, Cell Block Tango and Razzle Dazzle, will be staged at the Lichfield Street theatre from May 14 to 19.

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Meanwhile Danny Zuko

Meanwhile, Danny Zuko and his gang of high school greasers meet the Pinic Ladies again in rock 'n' roll musical Grease, which is at Hanley's Regent Theatre (May 7 to 12). The Potteries port of call is the only Midlands date on the current tour. Skating star Robin Cousins plays Teen Angel. Back at Wolverhampton, The Essense of Ireland tells

The Essense of Ireland tells of lovers divided by the ocean in a show drawing upon train a snow drawing upon tra-ditional Irish music and dance, plus pop favourites. It is staged at Wolver-hampton Grand on May 11 and 12.



## New Institute date for Marina and Diamonds

POP group Marina and the Diamonds have had to postpone their UK tour, including a gig at Birmingham HMV Institute on May 11, after singer Marina was told she will have to undergo treatment for damage to her vocal chords. The Digbeth date has now been rescheduled for Friday June 29.

## **Civic hosts rock festival**

A WHOLE rock festival is being squeezed into one afternoon and evening at Wolverhampton Civic Hall on June 10. Chazzstock, a charity fundraising festival in memory of singer Charles Haddon, was due to take place over a weekend in Leicestershire but hit licensing problems. The Civic stepped in and The Horrors and The Vaccines will lead a nine band bill. Tickets cost £25. Doors are at 4pm and it's for music fans aged 14 and above. Call 0870 320 7000 or see www.wolvescivic.co.uk for tickets.



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CSI: NY

Channel 5, 10.20pm

In a world where gamers can win

serious money for hitting buttons fast enough, it seems some of

them will do anything to stay

alert. That's the basis for this

action involving a few Austin

week's gritty slice of Big Apple

Powers-style game-related gags. 'It looks like the game he was calling ended in sudden death,'

guips Mac, with all the sensitivity of a man getting drunk at a funeral. CSI analysis reveals the

drug boosts concentration, so when the crime-busters discover he was a referee in a high-stakes

video-gaming tournament, they suspect he was killed for

Crime drama, starring Gary

Sinise and Sela Ward

confiscating the illegal substance.

6.00 Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.30 Raymond Blanc's Kitchen Secrets. (R) 12.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 12.15 Football Focus. Including a preview of the FA Cup final. 1.00 Live Snooker. The World Championship. The concluding session of the first semi-final. 5.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 5.50 Pointless Celebrities.

6.40 My Family. Susan is accused of sexual

harassment at work. (R) 7.10 The Voice UK. The five acts in Jessie J and Danny O'Donoghue's teams sing live for the first time, and viewers help decide who stays

help decide who stays in the competition as they vote for their favourites. The results can be seen tomorrow at 7.15pm.

8.40 The National Lottery: In It to Win It. Dale Winton hosts the quiz show in which five contestants answer questions to scoop a big prize. Includes the Lotto and

Thunderball draws.

9.30 Casualty. The police investigate the death of a nine-year-old boy. Guest with Georgia

Guest with Georgia
Honshaw
10.20 BBC News; Weather.
10.40 Have I Got a Bit More
News for You. With
guest host Jeremy
Clarkson. (R)
11.25 Live at the Apollo; (R)
National Lottery Update.
11.55 The Football League
Show. Highlights of
today's League One
and League Two
matches.

12.55 Weatherview. 1.00 BBC

6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC.
12.00 Film: The Cardinal. (1963)
An idealistic priest encounters
ethical dilemmas and racial
bigotry as he rises through the
ranks of the Catholic Church. Otto ranks of the Catholic Church. Ofto Preminger's drama, with Tom Tryon and Carol Lynley. 2.50 Film: Land of the Pharaohs. (1955) Historical drama, starring Jack Hawkins. 4.30 Final Score. 5.10 Flog It! 5.55 The Good Life. (R)

6.25 Dad's Army. Captain Mainwaring devises a cunning new way of foiling Hitler's invasion plans – but it results in Pike getting trapped in the middle of a

the middle of a minefield. (R)
7.00 Live Snooker: The World Championship. Hazel Irvine and Rishi Persad present coverage of the fourth and concluding session of the second semi-final at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield

in Sheffield. 9.30 I Love 1977. Star Wars looks back at the year the film took the world by storm, along with Saturday Night Fever, Space Dust and

Space Dust and skateboards. (R)

10.30 FILM: Papillon. (1973) A Frenchman imprisoned for life on Devil's Island for a crime he did not commit makes a desperate bid for freedom. Fact-based drama, starring Steve McQueen.

12.55 Film: Badlands. (1973) An alienated man goes on the run across Midwestern America with his teenage lover, killing anyone in their way. Terrence Malick's crime drama, with Martin Sheen and Sissy Spacek. 2.25 Close.

ITV1 Channel 4

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 725 CITV.
8.25 Saturday Cookbook. 9.25
ITV News. 9.30 The Jeremy Kyle
Show USA. 10.25 The Jeremy
Kyle Show USA. 11.20 The Real
Housewives of New York City.
12.20 Murder, She Worbt. (R) 1.20
ITV News; Weather. 13.00
Regional News; Weather.3.05
ITV News; Weather.3.15 Live FA
Cup Final. Chelsea v Liverpool
(Kick-off 5.15pm).

7.45 The Cube. An athlete and a rugby enthusiast are challenged to complete tasks within the confines of the cube in the hope of winning a £250,000 jackpot.

8.45 Britain's Got Talent. Ant

and Dec present the final round of auditions, before judges Simon Cowell, David Walliams, Amanda Holden and Alesha Dixon select the 45 acts to go through to the live shows.

10.15 ITV News; Weather. 10.25 FA Cup Highlights. Matt Smith presents highlights of the final between Chelsea and Liverpool at Wembley Stadium, where the sides battled it out to win the world's oldest domestic cup

domestic cup competition.

11.25 FILM: Boogeyman.

(2004) A man returns to his home town to discover the monster he imagined killed his father when he was a boy is all too real.

Horror, with Barry Watson.

1.00 The Store; ITV News Headlines. 3.00 In Plain Sight. (R) 3.50 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

**Channel 5** 

6.15 The Hoobs. (R) 6.40 The Hoobs. (R) 7.05 The Grid. 730 Brillish Championship. 7.55 The Morning Line. 8.55 The TV Book Club. 9.25 T4: Koko Pop. 10.00 T4: The Hopp Powerlist. 12.10 T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) 12.45 T4: The Simpsons. (R) 1.20 Road to London 2012: That Paralympic Show. 1.55 Channel 4 Racing. 3.55 Deal or No Deal. 4.55 Come Dine with Me. (R) 5.25 Come Dine with Me. (R)

6.00 Come Dine with Me.

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Laura Rojales hosts the
third dinner party in
Aberdeen. (R)
6.30 Come Dine with Me.
The final dinner party in
Aberdeen. (R)
7.00 Channel 4 News.
7.15 Foxes Live: Wild in the
City. More footage of
Britains urban foxes.
7.20 FILM: Mission:
Impossible. (1996) A
secret agent is accused
of betraying his fellow
spies, and sets out on a
mission to clear his mission to clear his name. Action thriller based on the 1960s TV series, with Tom Cruise

series, with Tom Cruise and Jon Voight.

9.30 FILM: Die Hard. (1988)
A New York cop battles armed men who have hijacked a skyscraper in Los Angeles, where his wife is working on Christmas Eve. Action thriller, starring Bruce Willis.

12.10 Film: The Negotiator. (1998) 12.10 Film: The Negotiator. (1998)
Thriller, starring Samuel L
Jackson and Kevin Spacey. 2.35
Stand Up for the Week. (R) 3.20
Facejacker. (R) 3.45 Hit the Road
Jack. 4.30 Slow Joe. (R) 4.35
Home Road Movies. (R) 4.50
Smallville. 5.30 Countdown. (R) 6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) 10.05 Animal Rescue Squad. (R) 10.20 Meerkat Manor. (R) 10.55 Meerkat Manor. (R) 10.55 Cowboy Traders. (R) 11.55 Robson's Extreme Fishing Challenge. (R) 12.55 Film: The Naked Spur. (1953) Western, starring James Stewart. 2.40 Film: Ten Wanted Men. (1955) Western, starring Randolph Scott. 4.15 The Mystery of Natalie Wood.

7.30 5 News Weekend.
7.35 NCIS. Ducky is shocked to realise a cadaver he is using for medical research is the body of a murder victim. Efforts to identify the corpse lead to a criminal

lead to a criminal mastermind. (R)

8.25 NCIS. An ex-serviceman is beaten to death in his own back garden, and the agents are forced to consider the possibility his wife – a Marine and martial arts expert – is the killer. (R)

9.25 CSI: Crime Scene

Investigation. Grissom and Warrick try to ascertain what happened to a woman whose mummified body has been found in a closet, and Catherine

closet, and Carrierine investigates the discovery of a gun on a suburban lawn. (R)

10.20 CSI: NY. The referee of a video-game tournament is murdered.

11.15 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.

12.10 SuperCasino. 4.00 Great Artists. (R) 4.50 County Secrets. (R) 5.00 Hana's Helpline. (R) 5.10 The Milkshake! Show. (R) 5.35 Thomas & Friends. (R) 5.45

3.25 The British Soap Awards 2012 5.25 You've Been Framed! 6.30 Film: The Incre You've Been Framed 6.30 Film: The incredible Hulk (2008) 8.45 The World's Best Diet 9.45 Grimefighters 10.15 Britain's Got More Talent 11.15 Celebrity Juice: Pop Special

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3.50 Agatha Christie's Poirot 5.55 Agatha Christie's Marple 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Foyle's War 11.00 Film: Caddyshack (1980)

11.00 Live Indian Premier League Cricket. Kolkata Knight Riders v Pune Warriors and Kings XI Punjab v Rajasthan Royals. 8.00 Pritish Touring Car Championship Highlights 9.30 Film: Tango & Cash (1989) 11.35 Film: National Lampoon's Animal House (1978)

**BBC THREE** 

7.00 Doctor Who 8.00 Top Gear Vietnam Special 9.15 Russell Howard's Good News Extra 10.00 Film: Sin City (2005)

BBC FOUR

7.00 South Pacific 8.00 African Railway 9.00 The Bridge 11.00 Parkinson: The Interviews Peter Cook 11.40 Top of the Pops: 1977

3.05 Made in Chelsea 4.10 Charlie's Angels 5.05 The Big Bang Theory 7.30 How I Met Your Mother 8.30 Rules of Engagement 9.00 Happy Endings 9.30 Film: There's Something About Mary (1998) A lovesick man hires a seedy detective to track down his high-school sweetheart — but discovers he has many rivals for her affections. Comedy, starring Cameron Diaz. 11.55 The Big Bang Theory

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3.05 Valiant (2005) 4.35 Carry On Spying (1964) 6.25 The Great Debaters (2007) 9.00 The Ghost (2010) A writer is employed to pen the memoirs of a former British prime minister, but finds his life in mortal peril. Political thriller starring Ewan McGregor and Pierce Brosnan 11.30 Dog Soldiers (2002)

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**Channel 5** 

6.00 Once Upon a Time. 7.00 FILM: Return of the

Magnificent Seven. (1966) Western sequel, starring Yul Brynner. 8.55 5 News Weekend. 9.00 World's Scariest





Choice

6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Country Tracks; (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. 12.00 Sunday Politics. 1,00 Cash in the Attic. (R) 1.48 Bargain Hunt. (R) 2.30 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) 3.30 Final Score. 4.15 Escape to the Country. (R) 5.00 Points of View. 5.15 Songs of Praise. 5.50 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

6.15 Countryfile. Ellie Harrison explores the Peak District National Park and Adam Henson visits Renishaw Hall stately home in Derbyshire. Tom Heap investigates a significant

decline in bee numbers.
7.15 The Voice UK Results. Jessie J and Danny O'Donoghue each lose

one act.
7.50 Planet Earth Live. New 750 Planet Earth Live. New series. Richard Hammond and Julia Bradbury host this three-week event following the real-time stories of young animals around the globe, including lions and elephants in Kenya.

9.00 Silent Witness. Part one of two. Harry travels to Budapest. (R)

10.00 BBC News: Regional

10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 10.25 Match of the Day.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. 11.30 Great British Menu. (R) 12.00 Flog Itl (R) 12.30 Live MotoGP. The Portuguese Grand Prix. Matt Roberts presents coverage of the third meeting of the season, staged at the the season, staged at the Autodromo do Estoril. 2.00 Live Autodromo do Estorii. 2.00 Live Snooker: The World Championship. Hazel Irvinie and Rishi Persad present coverage of the opening session of the final at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, featuring the first eight frames of the match. Subsequent programmes subject to change.

6.10 Barry Hearn: The People's Promoter. David Jason narrates an insight into the life of Barry Hearn, who worked his way from

worked his way from humble beginnings to manage some of the biggest sporting stars of the past four decades.

700 Live Snooker: The World Championship. Hazel Irvine and Riishi Persad present all the action from the second session of the final at Sheffield's Crucible Theatre, where a further nine frames are scheduled to take place.

71.00 FILM: Munich. (2005)

After the killing of 11 Israeli coaches and athletes at the 1972 Olympic Games in

Olympic Games in Munich, Israeli prime minister Golda Meir sanctions a team of assassins to slay the Palestinian terrorists responsible. Steven

**Channel 4** 

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 725 CITV. 8.25 Dinner Date. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 Ade in Britain. (R) 10.30 May the Best House Win. (R) 11.30 Long Lost Family. (R) 12.30 ITV News; Weather. 12.35 Britain's Got Talent. (R) 2.10 Film: Columbo: Forgotten Lady. (1975) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk. 4.10 The Hungry Sailors. (R) 5.10 You've Been Framed! (R) 5.45 Regional News; Weather.

6.00 ITV News; Weather. 6.15 All Star Family

ITV1

6.00 ITV News; Weather.
6.15 All Star Family
Fortunes. TV chef
Rosemary Shrager and
her family compete
against football pundit
Robbie Savage and his
relatives to win up to
£30,000 for charity.
Vernon Kay hosts the
game show.
7.15 Who Wants to Be a
Millionaire? Britain's
Got Talent Special. Paul
Potts and Twist and
Pulse try to win money
for charity.
8.00 Britain's Got Talent. Ant
and Dec host the first of
the live semi-finals, as
nine acts compete for a
place in Saturday's final.
Including a performance
by Tulisa, with her debut
solo single, Young.
10.00 ITV News at Ten;
Weather.
10.15 William and Kate: The

10.15 William and Kate: The First Year. The Duke

6.15 The Hoobs. (R) 6.40 The Hoobs. (R) 7.05 Freesports on 4. (R) 7.30 Channel 4 Presents – 2012: David Clarke. (R) 7.35 Freesports on 4. 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 9.00 Frasier. (R) 9.30 Frasier. (R) 10.00 Sunday Brunch. 12.00 The Big Bang Theory. 12.55 The Simpsons. (R) 1.30 The Big Bang Theory. 12.55 The Simpsons. (R) 2.00 Channel 4 Racing. 4.00 The Simpsons. (R) 4.35 Film: Big. (1988) Comedy, starring Tom Hanks.

6.30 Channel 4 News 7.00 Foxes Live: Wild in the City. More footage of Britain's urban foxes, with updates from fox dens around the country and reports on injured animals that have been released to the wild following

the wild following medical treatment.

7.05 FILM: Men in Black.
(1997) A cop joins a secret force policing aliens on Earth, and teams up with a veteran partner to track down a giant insect. Sci-fi comedy, with Will Smith.

9.00 Homeland. Brody makes his final preparations to die for his country — and despite being sacked by the CIA, Carrie cannot keep away when she realises what is going on. Last in the series.

6.00 Milkshakel: Peppa Pig. 6.05
Roary the Racing Car. (R) 6.15
Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) 6.25
City of Friends. (R) 6.40 Harry
and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs.
(R) 6.50 Castle Farm. (R) 6.55
Roobarb and Custard Too. (R)
7.15 Bananas in Pyjamas. (R)
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7.18 Eananas in Pyjamas.

ITV2 2.45 Film: A Cinderella Story (2004) 4.45 Britain's Got Talent 6.15 Britain's Got More Talent 7.15 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records 7.45 Nicki Minaj: The Hot Desk 8.00 Film: Wild Wild West (1999) 10.00 Britain's Got More Talent 11.00 Olly: Life on Murs

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2.30 Goodnight Mister Tom 4.35 Wycliffe 5.45 2.30 Goodinghi wister form 4.35 Wycinie 3.43 Agatha Christie's Poirot 9.00 Housewife, 49. Bafta-winning drama, starring Victoria Wood. 11.00 Cracker

11.00 Live Indian Premier League Cricket. Mumbai Indians v Chennai Super Kings and Royal Challengers Bangalore v Deccan Chargers. 8.00 Premiership Rugby Union 9.00 Film: The Keeper (2009) Action thriller, starring Steven Seagal. 11.00 Film: The Hunter (1980)

**BBC THREE** 

7.00 Wallace & Gromit's Cracking Contraptions 7.15 Wallace & Gromit: A Grand Day Out 7.40 Film: Chicken Run (2000) 9.00 Don't Tell the Bride USA 9.50 Don't Tell the Bride: Greatest Moments 10.00 Family Guy 10.45 American Dad! 11.30 Russell Howard's Good News

**BBC FOUR** 

7.00 Royal Institution Christmas Lectures 2010
8.00 Shock and Awe: The Story of Electricity.
9.00 A Civil Arrangement. Comedy, starring Alison Steadman.
9.30 The Many Faces of Alison Steadman 10.30 Nuts in May 11.55 Royal Institution Christmas Lectures 2010

3.05 Ugly Betty 4.05 Glee 5.00 90210 6.00 The Big Bang Theory 6.55 Film: Nine Months (1995) 9.00 Desperate Housewives 11.00 2 Broke Girls 11.30 Made in Chelsea

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3.15 The Time Machine (1960) 5.20 The Golden Child (1986) 7.05 The Seeker: The Dark Is Rising (2007) 9.00 GI Joe: The Rise of Cobra (2009) 11.15 Wedding Crashers (2005)

#### **PLANET EARTH** LIVE

BBC1, 7.50pm

Normally when you hear phrases like 'the most ambitious live wildlife series ever undertaken' being bandied about by the BBC, you expect the name David Attenborough to crop up as well. So, it may come as a surprise to find that Planet Earth Live is actually being helmed by Richard Hammond and Julia Bradbury with a little help from some of the expert cameramen and woman from the BBC Natural History Unit. Together, they'll be spending May tracking the progress of young animals across the world. In the opener. Richard is in Kenva. tracking a pride of lions that are

Flights. (R) 10.00 FILM: Miss and Duchess of Cambridge's first 12 months of marriage. (R) Action from today's Premier League Congeniality. (2000) on. Last in the series

10.45 FILM: The X Files.
(1998) Sci-fi thriller, Comedy, starring Sandra Bullock. 11.15 Premiership Rugby
Union. Action from the
final round of fixtures in 11.55 The Sky at Night. The 12.10 Film: The Fog. (2005) Premiere. Horror remake, starring Tom Welling. 2.05 SuperCasino. 4.00 The FBI Files. 4.50 County Secrets. (R) 5.00 Hana's Helpline. (R) 5.10 The Milkshake! Show (R) 5.35 Friends. (R) 5.45 Hana's Helpline. (R) second celebration of the programme's 55th starring David Duchovny. anniversary. the regular season. Spielberg's thriller, with Eric Bana, Daniel Craig, Ciaran Hinds and Geoffrey Rush. 12.10 The Store; (R) ITV News Headlines. 2.15 River Monsters. (R) 3.05 Motorsport UK. 3.55 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News. 12.15 Weatherview. 12.20 Sign Zone: Empire. (R) 1.20 Holby City. (R) 2.20 Antiques Road Trip. (R) 3.05 Great British Railway Journeys. (R) 3.35 BBC News. 1.05 Film: Band Baaja Baaraat. (2010) Premiere. Bollywood musical, with Ranveer Singh and Anushka Sharma. 3.25 Hollyoaks. (R) 5.30 Countdown. (R) in the middle of a takeover 1.35 BBC News. 3.35 Close. Up to 40% less than a new fitted kitchen with made to measure replacement doors Transform your tired kitchen in just a few days from start

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BBC1 6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 Heir Hunters. 9.45 Homes Under the Hammer. 9.45 Homes Under the Hammer.
10.45 Robbed, Raided, Reunited, 11.10 Robbed,
Raided, Heunited, 11.10 Robbed,
Raided, Heunited, 11.40 Cash in the Attic. 12.25
Bargain Hunt, (R) 1.10 BBC News; Weather, 1.25
Regional News; Weather, 1.35 Tiger – Spy in the
Jungle, (R) 2.35 Film: Bee Movie, (2007) Animated
comedy, with the voice of Jerry Seinfeld, 3.55 Film:
Over the Hedge, (2006) Animated comedy, with
the voice of Bruce Willis, 5.15 Pointless, 6.00 BBC
News, 6.15 Regional News Programmers: Weather. the voice of Bruce Willis, 5.15 Pointless, 6.00 BBC News, 6.15 Regional News Programmers; Weather, 6.30 Who Do You Think You Are? (R), 7.30 EastEnders, 8.00 Antiques Roadshow, 9.00 Silent Witness, (R), 10.00 BBC News, 10.15 Regional News; Weather, 10.25 A Question of Sport, 10.55 Late Kick Off., 125 Te Graham Norton Show, (R), 10.15 Carriery, 10.15

(H) 3.49 Antiques Hoad Irip. (H) 4.30 BBC News.

BBC2 8.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30
CBeebies. 11.30 Rowing World Cup.
12.30 Equestrian: Badminton Horse Trials. Live
coverage of the conclusion of the three-day
eyenting equestrian competition. 2.30 Live
Snooker: The World Championship. The third
session of the final 6.00 Eggiheads. 6.30 Antiques
Road Trip. 7.00 Great British Menu. 7.30 Live
Snooker: The World Championship. The fourth
and concluding session of this year's final. 11.00
Grandma's House. (R) 11.30 Film: The Flying
Scotsman. (2006) Fact-based sporting drama,
starring Jonny Lee Miller. 1.05 BBC News. 3.15
The Super League Show. 4.00 BBC Learning
Zone.

Zone.

16.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 11.25 Murder, She Wrote. (R) 12.30 60 Minute Makeover. (R) 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 Midsomer Murders. (R) 4.00 Rosemary & Thyme. (R) 5.00 The Chase. 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.15 ITV News; Weather. 6.30 You've Been Framed! (R) 7.00 Emmerdale. 730 Britain's Got Talent. The second live semi-linal. 9.00 Coronation Street. 9.30 Britain's Got Talent Results. Ant and Dec announce the results. 10.00 ITV News at Ten, Weather. 10.15 Britain Beware. 11.15 Bables Behind Bars. (R) 12.10 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. 2.15 Champions League Weekly. 2.40 ITV Nightscreen. 4.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 6.15 The Hoobs. (R) 6.40 The Hoobs. (R) 7.05 Freshly Squeezed. 7.35 According to Jim. (R) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.30 Frasier. (R) 9.00 Secret Millionaire Australia. (R) 10.00 Come Dine with Me. (R) 10.30 Come Dine with Me. (R) 10.30 Come Dine with Me. (R) 11.30 Come Dine with Me. (R) 11.30 Come Dine with Me. (R) 10.30 Footback 10.50 Come Dine with Me. (R) 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 700 Channel 4 News. 710 4thought. 7.15 Celebrity Deal or No Deal. 8.00 Foves Live: Wild in the City. 9.00 Embarrassing Bodies. 10.00 Ramsey 8 (kilchen Nighmares USA. 11.00 Homeland (R) 1.40 The Tallest Tower Silm: Virgin Goat. (2009) 3.10 Film: The Honeymooners. (2005) 4.40 Smallville. (R) 5.20 Deal or No Deal: Banker's Birthday. (R)

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Channel 5
6.00 Milkshakel 9.15 The Wright Stuff. 11.10 LIVE with. 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.15 Meerkat Manor. (R) 12.45 Home and Away. 1.20 Neighbours. 1.50 The Mentalist. (R) 2.45 Film: Moby Dick. (1956) Adventure, with Gregory Peck. 5.00 5 News at 5.530 Neighbours. (R) 6.05 Hume and Away files. Solve the Modern Merchant Company of the Modern Company o

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12.00 Daily Politics. 10.00 Nature's Top 40. (R) 1.30 Instant Restaurant. (R) 2.15 Weakest Link. (R) 3.00 Wanted Down Under (R) 3.45 Hairy Bikers' Best of British. (R) 4.30 Flog It! (R) 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth is 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Antiques Road Tip, 7.30 Great British Ment. 8.00 The Town Taking on China. 9.00 Great Ormond Tootball? (R) 12.10 BBC News. 3.30 Close. 4.00 BBC Learning Zone.

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12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 60 Minute Makeover. 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) 3.59 Regional Weather. 4.00 Rosemary & Thyme. (R) 5.00 The Chase. 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Britain's Got Talent. 9.00 Coronation Street. 9.30 Britain's Got Talent. 9.00 Coronation News; Weather. 10.35 Grimerighters. (R) 11.05 Nature's Fury: Tornado. (R) 12.05 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. 2.35 Loose Women. (R) 3.25 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

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Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff. 11.10 LIVE with. 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.15 Dangerous Drivers' School. (R) 1.15 Home and Away. 1.45 Neighbours. 2.15 Law & Order. (R) 3.15 Film: By Appointment Only. (2007) Premiers. Thriller, starring Ally Walker 5.00 an News at 5.30 Neighbours. 30, 700 Diagnost Machines; R) 5.30 News at 5.30 News at 9.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. 10.00 CSI: NY. (R) 10.55 CSI: NY. A popular schoolight is murdered. (R) 11.55 CSI: Miami. (R) 12.50 SuperCasino. 3.55 House Doctor. (R)

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BBC 1 6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 Heir Hunters. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer; BBC News; Weather. 10.30 State Opening of Parliament. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.45 Doctors. 2.15 Escape to the Country. 3.00 BBC News; Weather. Regional News. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Pointless. 6.00 BBC News; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 7.30 Plainet Earth Live; BBC News; Regional News. 8.00 Traffic Cops. 9.00 The Apprentice. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News. 8.00 Traffic Cops. 9.00 The Apprentice. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws. 10.45 Sporting Heroes: After the Final Whistle; National Lottery Update. 11.35 Film: Breaking and Entering. (2006) Drama, with Jude Law and Juliette Binoche. 1.30 Weatherview. 1.35 Sign Zone: See Hear (R) 2.05 Watchdog. (R) 3.05 The 70s. (R) 4.05 BBC News.

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BBC 16.00 Breakfast. 9.15 Heir Hunters. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Robbed, Raided, Reunited. 11.30 Cash in the Altic; BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 13.0 Regional News; Weather. 13.0 Regional News; Weather. 14.00 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 7.30 EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. 8.00 Planet Earth Live. 9.00 New Tricks. (R) 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Question Time. 11.35 This Week. 12.20 Countryfile. (R) 12.5 Antiques Roadshow (R) 2.25 Normers (S) 13.55 BBC News. 10.25 BBC News. 1

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Neighbours. 2.15 NCIS. (R) 3.15 Chinese Food in
Minutes. (R) 3.20 Film: Jane Doe: Till Death Do Us
Part. (2005) Thiller, starring Lea Thompson. 5.00
5 News at 3. 5.30 Neighbours. (R) 6.00 Home and
Machines; 5 News at 9.90.0 The Mentalist. A man
is found burned to death on a cabaret bar's
doorstep. 10.00 Castle. 10.55 Law. & Order.
Criminal Intent. (R) 11.55 Inside Hollywood. (R)
12.00 SuperCasino. 3.55 Motorsport Mundial. 4.20
HouseBusters. (R) 5.10 Wildlife SOS. (R)



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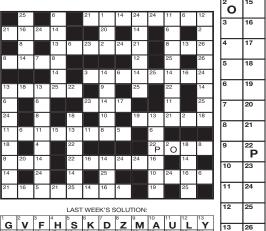


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- 1. He bases his

- 1. He bases his findings on an investigation of the headquarters! (12)
  7. A thousand getting the the state of the headquarters! (12)
  8. Would he use a pitch-fork in his work? (5)
  9. Tangled mass of hair lacking lustre, we hear (3)
  10. Men once at the top of the building trade? (9)
  11. The sort of task that confronts the mountaineers (6)
  12. Some of the nuts and raisins for the girl (6)
- girl (6)

  15. A second hay crop at the farm, maybe (9)

  17. Deputise in part of
- the play (3)

  18. On many occasions two and five are used as fractions
- thus! (5)

  19. No hint turns up as an aid to climbers

#### Quick Clues:

- 1. Damning (12)
  7. Sugary (5)
  8. Incite (3,2)
  9. Be in debt (3)
  10. Keep trying (9)
  11. Recompenses (6)

- 12. Happy (6) 15. With utmost speed
- 15. With utmost spa (9) 17. Row (3) 18. Projecting roof-edge (5) 19. Split (5) 21. Safeguard (12)

- 1. Transport for a
- small charge (12)
  2. Spaniard returns to fall asleep (3)
  3. Bet on the fellow not being a priest
- (6)
  4. What those who are unwelcome do on their own admission? (4-5)
  5. Those who are 21 won't show this
- won't show this feeling (5) 6. Member of the embassy staff who
- embassy staff who makes news? (5,7)
  7. This provides exact agreement for the contest (5)
  10. Permissible range of variation shown by patient people (9)
- (9)

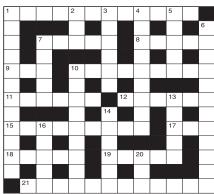
  13. Ended all square, as illustrated (5)

  14. A temporary settlement by America provides space for students (6)

  16. The big man has it
- 16. The big man has it in a shade of brown
- 20. Can come before

- 1. Man-maker (12)
- Map-Haker (12)
   Before (3)
   Constitution (6)
   Consequently (9)
   Rascal (5)
- 6. Immoderate (12)
- 7. Repose (5)
  10. Grave mental disorder (9)
- 13. Ancient (5)
- 14. Money-lender (6)
- 16 Cut (5)
- 20. By way of (3)

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#### Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented auestion mark? LAST WEEK'S P The letter represented by the question mark is O. Harriott,

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# **Quick-fix to kitchen is** recipe for adding value

have to be a big and expensive job, says **Julia Gray**. Follow her top tips for a quick and easy fix

IT'S often said that the kitchen is the room most likely to persuade you to buy a property - or the room most likely to put you off, depending on what it's like.

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So it goes without saying that if you're considering putting your home on the market, it pays to make sure the kitchen is up to scratch.
Even if you're not selling, an attractive, well-organised and functional kitchen adds to the value of your home and makes it nicer to live in.
Of course, the thing about new kitchens is that they cost money—lots of it.
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scratch is a great way to create your dream kitchen, but only if you have the

cash and time and are prepared to put up with the disruption.

If you want a quick fix, however, there are lots of inexpensive things you can do to make your kitchen work and look better. look better.

look better:

The obvious starting point is repainting the walls and ceiling, but changing the unit doors is also easy to -8&Q has a good selection of doors. You could even fit (or get a carpenter to fit) a new worktop — try eBay for inexpensive wooden ones.

Retling the walls (or painting the existing tiles) and laying new flooring will make a big difference, too.

If lack of worktop space is a problem, think about how you can make what you've get go further.

Use microwave brackets to get your

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Replacing doors is a cost-effective way to spruce up tired-looking cupboards

microwave off the worktop. Are there any small appliances you hardly use that can be put (or given) away?

Another solution to lack of workspace is to install an island unit – if there's room.

If there isn't, maybe a slimline table or breakfast bar will give you more workspace and still allow you to move around the room easily?

#### Display

Billing your kitchen as a kitchen-ner when selling your home is a big

plus.
Hinged tables that fold flat against
the wall when not in use are a great
idea if space is tight – try the Bjursta or
the Norberg, both £29 each, Ikea.
Got nice glasses, crockery and pots
and pans? Fit shelves to display them
on – floating shelves are still fashion-

able. This gets them out of the cup-boards, freeing up space, and you can make a nice display out of them.

Alternatively, saucepans and utensils can be hung from wooden or metal hanging or wall rails to get them out of the way.

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If your kitchen has high ceilings and you're happy to change the wall units, invest in extra tall ones.

Failing that, stack attractive baskets or boxes on top of the existing wall units to make the most of the space. However, don't store anything heavy

However, don't store anything heavy up there.

When you're replacing a kitchen, it's easy to incorporate clever design ideas for awkward and small spaces, but if you're making the best of what you've got, it pays to think laterally, especially when selling your home.



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A traditionally styled part double glazed semi-detached residence situated in a quiet cut-de-sac within a short distance of Aldridge Village with all facilities provided. The properly is in need of limprovement and moderination and offers an ideal opportunity for conservative conservations and offers and ideal opportunity for conservative conservative set and lower set back from the road behind a fore garden with driveway to garager: Enclosed Porch, Reception Hall, Lounge, Dining Roam, Kitchen, Ullah; John, Sepente WC, Garage, Fore and Rear Gardens.

GUIDE PRICE £120,000-£140,000

26 JESSON ROAD, WALSALL, WS1 3AS



This most substantial traditional Victorian end of termos property is conveniently located within a popular residential area of Stoch Walsals just of the Bimmingham Road, with Walsall two certre with all facilities with easy access. Set over three floors her property offers truly spacious living accommodation ideally suited to the needs of a family or developer and is in need of some improvement and modernisation and comprises the followings: Fully Enciosed Proch, Resegotion Hall, Loungs, Diring Floors, Stock Cupboard, Desidatal Room, Kitchen, Ullisy Room, Thee First Floor

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21 HONEYWALL HOUSE, HONEYWALL, STOKE ON TRENT, ST4 7HY



A purpose built second floor flat situated in a desirable location with attractive views across the city centre ideally suited to the needs of an investor with a potential for slight improvement and attractive yield. With the benefit of double glazing the property comprises: Reception Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Bedroom and Shower Room.

GUIDE PRICE £25,000-£35,000

21 GREENSLADE ROAD, WALSALL, WS5 3QH



This modern detached family residence is situated in the popular and sought after residential location on the much noted Brookhouse Estate within a short distance of Walsali town centre where shopping and banking facilities are readily available, Boasting the benefit of gas fred central healing, double glazing and cavity wall insulation. The property is set back from the road behind a lawned fore gastern familised by driveway and has an expectation of the property of the property is set back from the road property is set to be set

GUIDE PRICE £180,000-£200,000

41 MINER STREET, WALSALL, WS2 8QN



This traditionally styled Victorian mid-terrace property being sold as an investment currently let to Miss Jodie Holden on an assured shorthold tenancy commencing the 22nd December 2011 for 12 months at a rental of 2425 pcm. The property includes: Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Bathroom, Three Bedrooms, Fore and Rear Gardens.

GUIDE PRICE £40,000-£50,000

# 10 BEEBEE ROAD, WENESBURY, WS10 9RY



A substantial semi-detached dwelling house boasting gas fired central heating and double glazing set on a corner plot within easy distance of Wednesbury centre and the motorway junction at Wednesbury make an ideal purchase and well well be the seminary of the seminary purchase the well-benefact of the seminary of the

**GUIDE PRICE £70,000-£90,000** 

## 22 BROADWAY NORTH, WALSALL, WS1 2AJ



This most substantial detached property is current occupied as offices but is under review for change of us to a residential dwelling house and offers truly spacious well planned accommodation over three floors set on a pic amounting to some 0.18 acres. Situated opposite Walss arboretum with stunning views from the front elevation the property lends itself to conversion to residential dwellin bouse or maintain its current use as offices, nursing hom

GUIDE PRICE: £250,000-£300,000

## 466 SLADE ROAD, BIRMINGHAM, B23 7JH



A most substantial traditionally styled end terrace residence situated in a regarded popular residential area with the beat of gas fired central heating and some double glazing and additional off-street parking (subject to removal of fence). Ideally suited to the needs of a family or investor with good rental yields, good access and facilities available. The property briefly comprises—Enclosed Porch, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Bathroom, Four Bedrooms, Fore and Rear Gardens.

**GUIDE PRICE £90,000-£110,000** 

## 154b WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK, WS11 1AT



This converted first floor flat is situated within a short walk of Cannock centre and would make an ideal purchase for a first buyer or investor. The accommodation which has storage heaters and some double glazing comprises: Landing, Lounge, Kitchen, Bedroom and Shower Boom.

GUIDE PRICE £30,000-£40,000

## LAND CHAWNER CLOSE, BURNTWOOD, WS7 1YX



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Single storey former bookmakers offices

lending itself to a number of uses including

residential (subject to planning) **GUIDE PRICE £30,000-£40,000** 

25 MILL ROAD, BROWNHILLS, WS8 6BE



rins traditionally sayled mic-down nouse property is set cauck room the road behind a good sized driveway with ampile of road parking and also has attractive enclosed private. Situated within a short distance of Brownhills centre with all facilities with all facilities provided the property has gas fired central heating and double glazing and would make air idea purchase for first time buyer or nivestor. The accommodation comprises: Reception Hall, Lourge, Kitchen, Utility, Three Bedrooms, Battmoom, Separation

GUIDE PRICE £70,000-£80,000

## 115 BRACKENFIELD ROAD, GREAT BARR, BIRMINGHAM, B44 9BG



This traditional end terraced residence has been extended at ground floor level and offers well planned spacious living accommodation ideally suited to the needs of a first time buyer or investor offering rental returns. With the benefit of gas fired central heating and double glazing the property comprises the following: Enclosed Porch, Reception Hall, Lounge, Rear Stiting Room, Extended Kitchen, Side Lean to Verandah, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Fore and Rear Gardens.

GUIDE PRICE £80,000-£90,000

## 36 CIRCUIT CLOSE, WILLENHALL, WV13 1EB



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- Lounae
- Shower Room
- Kitchen



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- Bathroom Permit Parking & DG
- Intercom System



- Semi-Detached
- Lounge & Bathroom
- Kitchen/Dining Area Two Bedrooms
- Double Glazing
- Gas central Heating



- Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms Dining/Kitchen
- Lounge & Bathroom • UPVC DG & GCH



- Semi-Detached House
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  Cloakroom W.C.@Family Bathroom
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- Leamore Lane

   Three Bedroom Town House

   Lounge●Kitchen/Diner

   En-Suite●Family Bathroom

   Front & Rear Gardens●Garage

   Off Road Parking to Rear



- Watsall
  Harness Close
  Three Bedroom Link-Detached
  Lounge
  Kitchen Diner
  Family Bathroom
  Front & Rear Gardens
  Garage & Driveway
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- Well Land
- Three Bedrom Detached
   Lounge/Diner
   Family Bathroom with separate W.C.
   Integral Garage●Front & Rear Gardens
   Large Driveway



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   Lounge●Kitchen●Bathroom
   Extended Dining Room
   Front & Rear Gardens
   Garage & Off Road Parking
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   Fitted Kitchen●Family Bathroom
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   Family Bathroom Double Glazed

   Gas Central Heating

   Rear Garden●Off Road Parking

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- - Offers in excess of £100,000





- Springrields

  Three Bedroom End Terrace

  Entrance Hall Lounge

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  Patio Area Gas Central Hea

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- nom Semi-Detached Lounge

  Kitchen/Diner

  Utility Area

  Cloakroom W.C.

  Family Bathroom

  Rear Garde Offers in excess of £95,000





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- Two Bedroom End-Terrace

  Two Reception Rooms

  Kitchen

  Ground Floor Bathroom

  Boarded Loft with Velux Window

  Rear Garden with Side Plot

  Plot

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Two Bedroom Mid-Terrace
Two Reception Rooms
Kitchen@Ground Floor Bathroom
Rear Court Yard & Garden
Double Glazing@Gas Central Heati



re Road



Trice Bedroom Semi-Detached

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Lounge
Kitchen/Diner

Double Glazing
Gas Central Heating
Front & Rear Gardens

Off Road Parking
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- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing

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En-suite Shower Room

Reception Hall
 Lounge with Feature Fireplace
 Dining Room
 En-Suite to Master Bedroom

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Reception Hall and Guest WC
 Living Room with Feature Fireplace
 Dining Room
 Fitted Kitchen

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- Extended Semi Detached
   No Upward Chain
   Double Glazing and Central Heating
   21ft Through Lounge
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- Re-Fitted Kitchen

  Re-Fitted Downstairs Bathroom/WC

  Utility Room

  2 Double Bedrooms (master English) 50

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No Upward Chain
 Reception Hall
 Two reception Rooms
 Kitchen

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Large Through Lounge/ Diner
 Good Size Breakfast Kitchen
 Guest W.C

## Guest W.C Newly Fitted Fully Tiled Bathroon50,000 OFFERS AROUND:



- Detached Family Home With Garage
- 3 Bedrooms
  NO UPWARD CHAIN
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  Dining Kitchen

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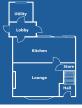


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# New city Skoda is the perfect car for families

"THIS is the biggest-growing segment in Europe," notes Jurgen Stackmann enthusiastically over dinner.

He should know, being on the board of directors in charge of sales and marketing



At 3.5m in length, the Citigo is ideal for negotiating narrow city streets

at Skoda, the Volkswagen-owned Czech brand.
Stackmann is referring to this new A0 grouping of entry-level small cars that his firm's new Citigo car will fit into.
It marks the carmaker's entry into this tiny city commuter car category, from where it hopes to tap a broader market.
According to Skoda research, we are returning to life in the urban jungle. And to survive, which generally means getting

survive, which generally means getting from A to B, requires a car like the Citigo. The name, as you've probably noted, leaves little ambiguity about the position-

and the positioning of this car. At the pinnacle of this untapped market, Stackmann earnestly tells me, is the wife of a young urban family – someone like mine, he notes

a young uroan aiminy — some the notes.

They have a couple of kids and the family may have a couple of cars but the wife prefers a run-around like the Citigo that is small, safe and practical for the school and

shopping run. Skoda prides itself on safety and this car – alongside its siblings the VW Up! and Seat Mii – has a four-star Euro NCAP safety rating.

Earlier that morning we were flown to Portugal's capital, Lisbon, to test the Citizo.

We drove out of the city, up the moun-

We drove out of the city, up the mountains, zig-zagged through snaky country lanes, and returned to the city.

Despite its small stature and equally small engine, the Citigo can handle itself.

So it is more than just a city car – the Citigo will be comfortable in hilly suburbs too.

Overcrowded

Literal with the beauty in its

It is, admittedly, particularly happy in its natural habitant, the dense overcrowded city centre – in this case, cobbled narrow roads, where the Citigo's length of 3.5m is a life saver.

a lite saver.

This being friendly Skoda, the lack of brand aggression also means other road users are happy to let us merge lanes – at times almost motioning us to overtake!

I'm impressed by the thoughtful design features in the cabin, – unashamedly aimed

at a female buyer – including a brilliant mobile phone holder above the gear lever

Being fuel-efficient, it won't damage the environment significantly, its diminutive size is ideal for current commuting patterns, and in the megacities of the future, it won't take up too much space.

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Williams said: "The legend has
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There have been many motoring changes in our 80 years and we have played our part. From drink-driving and motorway speed limits to lighter evenings and driving with pets, we have moved with the times, but our aim is still the same: to keep motorists as safe as possible on the road."

To mark the occasion, GEM has found vintage cars, one from each of the last eight decades and will take them for a drive around the Newhouse Estate in Wiltshire. An article about the drive will appear in the next issue of GEM's magazine Good Motoring. The piece will look at road safety facts and figures from the past 80 years.

"It is really interesting to see in which decade new laws were introduced to make the roads safer for drivers and reduce accident rates," Mr Williams said. "For example, in 1958 Volvo was the first to introduce the seatbelt, but it wasn't until 1983 that it became compulsory to wear one in the UK when in the front seat; something which is second nature to us these days."

Road safety history:

1932 The Company of Veteran Motorists is founded, a year after the publication of the first Highway Code.

1934 A 30mph limit is imposed in built-up areas. Zebra crossings are introduced. New drivers have to pass a test.

1935 There are 35 million vehicles on the world's roads. A 30mph speed limit is introduced for towns and villages.

1939 Petrol rationing is introduced in Somerset, joins the Company of Veteran Motorists. Seventy years later, at 98, he is GEM's longest-serving member.

1950 The British government ends petrol rationing.

1958 Polvo introduces the seatbelt.

1951 The MOT' is introduced for cars over 10 years old.

1967 The British government ends petrol rationing.

1958 The Government introduced. All cars sold in Britain must now be fitted with front seatbelts.

1973 Motorists queue for petrol and speeds are restricted to 50mph to conserve national stocks and consumption.

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1994 European crash test standards, later to become
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2003 It becomes illegal to use a hand-held mobile phone

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2010 A Swedish driver is detected at 180mph by a camera in Switzerland, leading to a fine of £538,000.



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# Victory is decisive in final home turf game

Bilston Town 4 Bridgnorth Reserves 1 BILSTON finished their West Midlands Division One home fixtures with a decisive victory over Bridgnorth
Town Reserves despite
having five first-teamers

Town Reserves despite having five first-teamers missing.

Bilston were on the attack from the start and in the first minute Andy Malcolm brought a good save from goalkeeper Ben Taylor.

Malcolm and Adam Langley always posed a threat, linking well with Adam Walker coming through from defence.

A powerful header from Lee Blake flew just over the bar. Jon Benham's attempted lob from the halfway line almost beat Taylor, who then made a good save from James McNaught.

Excellent play by Walker saw him push the ball to Langley, who gave Bilston the lead. The lead was doubled when a throughball from Liam Broad found Walker who beat two defenders to hit home.

The visitors got one back at the start of the second-

The visitors got one back at the start of the second-half through Gary Joesmith, but Malcolm then hit two.

# Five-goal heartbreak for Pitmen

# Bradford Park Avenue 5

Bradford Park Avenue 5
Hednesford 0
HEDNESFORD TOWN'S
promotion bandwagon finally derailed at Bradford.
The home side scored five
goals without reply as the
Pitmen had to resign themselves to a third consecutive
playoff heart break

selves to a third consecutive play-off heartbreak.

The Evo-Stik Northern Premier tie came alive on 26 minutes with a controversial Bradford penalty as Richard Marshall fell under supposed contact from Cheyenne Dunkley. Marshall converted and Dunkley was booked

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On 40 minutes Adam Clayton headed a second.

The Pitmen were given penalty a lifeline on the stroke of half-time but Chris Clements, usually so reliable from the spot, saw his strike

saved.

Martin Drury got a third goal on 63 minutes. Jay Denny was then sent off for a high tackle and two further goals at the death, by James Knowles and Marshall, twisted the knife.

# Now relax - Saddlers in the safety zone

WALSALL dodged any last-day drama with a point that guaran-tees them League One safety with a match to spare.

Wycombe and Chesterfield's defeats to Notts County and Yeovil respectively meant the Saddlers' draw against Huddersfield on Saturday was **Mashiter**. was enough, writes Nick

Only late goals for Notts County in their 4-3 win at Wycombe and Andy Williams' strike for Yeovil in their 3-2 victory over Chesterfield meant a point was enough.

Ironic that, after a season of late disappointment, last-minute goals

would eventually come to the Saddlers' rescue.

But it was an early one which rocked Walsall when Lee Novak drilled in after just 90 seconds as a prelude to a frustrating half.

The Saddlers – who recalled Jimmy Walker for a potential Banks's Stadium swansong – never got going but should have had a penalty when Jack Hunt bundled over Emmanuel Ledesma in the box.

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Hodded wide to continue Walsall's worries. Until, that is, four minutes after the break when Florent Cuvelier drove in after Mat Sadler's clever cross.

The midfielder, such a key to Walsall's late season rally, signed off his loan spell from Stoke with his most important real.

his most important goal.

Sixth-from-bottom, four points clear of the drop zone with the weekend's trip to MK Dons

remaining.

League One survival should be celebrated because, in the current

cimmate, that is where the Saddiers are. There's no escaping the fact their first goal should be staying in the division. But it's not something which should be the aim season after season. There should be – and is – more ambition than targeting fifth-from-bottom.

Manager Dean Smith insisted the achievement should not be one to go overboard about.

to go overboard about.
The celebration shouldn't be
misconstrued as one of great
delight. Great relief would be more
appropriate, as relegation to
League Two was unthinkable.

Walsall know they have under-

performed this season. I hat is why this survival feels different to the last. They should always have stayed up this year, whereas last season they were dead certs, at one point, for the drop.

This season didn't hit the highs always of 19 months are season.

or lows of 12 months ago, meaning celebrations were more reserved.

Maybe the euphoria and emotion of last year overshadowed it? Maybe it was because the Saddlers have stumbled and tripped over the line?

It doesn't matter. Regardless of how it was secured, Walsall are safe and that's what counts.

# **Battling** display puts Colts into final

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Walsall Coits 17 Sutton Coldfield Coits 0 WALSALL Colts produced a battling performance, in difficult conditions, to win their Fred Rowley Trophy

semi-final.

The home team opened the scoring with a simple, but superb try after 15 minutes.

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Lock Alo Bankolu secured the lineout ball, and then the Walsall pack bound together before driving an incredible 35 metres.
Eventually, man-of-the match Alex Hawthorn calmly dropped over the line to secure the touchdown, which outside half Ben Tipson did well to convert.
His penalty early in the second-half made it 10-0 early in the second half. Hawthorn, Matt Craddock and Dan Poole secured good possession, while Joe Brown and Liam Fussell had several defence-busting runs.
The young full back Fussell and the ever-present Max Hughes created the vital final score. Hughes supported well and then proke through three tackles

with final score. Hughes supported well and then broke through three tackles before running in from 25 metres. Tipson's converted. The final is against Wolverhampton.

# **Etheridge and Breeze** sail through to semis

PLECK ABC's Liam Etheridge took a big points win in the junior ABA championships – as Walsall Wood's ABC Daniel Breeze sailed through without boxing.

Breeze's quarter-final opponent at 66kg last Saturday in Class Four – for boxers born in 1996 – pulled out, so he walked over to the next round.

Darren Fox, from Toothill ABC in County Durham, was coming into battle with just three fights of experience.

by Craig Birch

duration of the fight, Wallace came out for the

Wallace came out for the fourth with a point to prove and put everything into the last of the four rounds.

But Etheridge still managed to score nine points for the session, as opposed to Wallace's seven, completing another impressive display to seal his passage through.

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Conversely, Breeze is an
England international
approaching his 50th
contest and is a two-time
national champion in the
ABA Schoolboys.
A mismatch was on the
cards but not a punch was
thrown, ensuring a Black
Country presence in the
semi-finals before the action
had even began. Etheridge's work was judged the cleaner, allowing limit to win the session by an 11-7 margin.

With the scores 14-10 going into the third, Etheridge settled into his groove and completely shutout Wallace to take a commanding 21-10 lead.

Using his jab to stop Wallace from coming onto him, Etheridge took the time to pick his shots and used an array of punches to widen the scores.

Hooks and straight blows with the right hand rained in on Wallace who tried to respond with hooks of his own, only to be fended off with the jab.

As he had done for the duration of the fight, Wallace came out for the

semi-finals before the action had even began.
But Etheridge had to overcome a front-foot fighter in Sam Wallace, from Grainger Park ABC in Newcastle, to make sure he joined Breeze in the next phase.
His ability to think under pressure made the scoreline suggest it was an easier outing than it looked, as Etheridge ran out a 30-17 points winner.
Their 54kg quarter-final

Their 54kg quarter-final clash last Saturday in Class Six – for boxers born in 1994 – took place, once again, at the Manchester Boxing

the Manchester Boxing Centre of Excellence.
Wallace's plan was to overwhelm Etheridge from the off and, initially, it was met with some success, as the scores were tied 3-3 at the end of the first round.
It was another close round in the second but, this time,



Saddlers star is backing Gethin's Walsall brawl

Walsall boxer Martin Gethin and Saddlers footballer Richard Taundry are ready for action at the Town Hall next week

MARTIN GETHIN will be able to count on the support of Walsall football star Richard Taundry for his hometown showdown next week.
Saddlers defender Taundry will be rigisdie when Gethin tackles Stuart Green in the main event at Walsall Town Hall next Saturday night.

Lifelong Saddlers fan Gethin used to join his boxing brothers, Darren and Steve, on the terraces at the old Fellows Park with their dad Graham. But the boot will be on the other foot in the not-too-distant when his son Kane, nearly two years old, is ready to go to a match.

Gethin said: "The missus is trying to Gethin said: "The missus is trying to get him to be a Villa fan, but I am going to buy him a Walsall strip for next season! I have followed Walsall since – well, since I can remember."

Tickets for the boxing are available from Walsall Town Hall or by calling the box office on 0845 111 2900.

# Hosts are well beaten by tourists

Burntwood 5 Abercarn 36

Burntwood 5 Abercarn 36 BURNTWOOD were well beaten by their visitors. Abercarn took the lead when they moved the ball out to the right for a try in the corner and after 22 minutes a try followed from a five-metre scrum. It was no surprise when he Welsh tourists scored

the Welsh tour sts scored their third try near the posts on 30 minutes. The conversion put the visitors 17 up.
It became 24-0 just before the break as a try was followed by a drop goal.
With the wind at their backs in the second period, the hosts were soon in Abercarn territory. Jack Neal was close to scoring before Adam Slater's hands let him down.

down. Close to the hour mark. Close to the hour mark, Burntwood broke their duck with a deserved try from prop forward Craig Prosser. The visitors had the last word, scoring a late try, capped with a conversion.

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# **Gonzalez** and Aiton for double dynamite

Walsall W 5 Nuneaton Griff 1 waisain wa Muneaton Giffi 1

A BRACE of two-goal bursts
put Wood in charge against a
young Griff side in a
Midland Combination
Premier clash.
Andre Gonzalez and Drew
Aiton struck in the fifth and

ninth minutes respectively, repeating the dose in the 41st and 45th minutes. Gonzales fired home from

Gonzales fired home from 15 yards after being played in by Nathaniel Jones to put Wood in the lead and that lead was doubled when Aiton chipped Slater after collecting a 50-yard diagonal pass from Lewis Taylor-Boyce.

The third came when Gonzales cut inside and hit a rising drive into the top

rising drive into the top corner, then his diagonal ball released Aiton to run on and score past the hapless Sam

ater. Wood's fifth did not come Wood's fifth did not come until six minutes from time. Corey Currithers raced away and his clinical ball found Kyle Williams-Minto who made no mistake.

Nuneaton gained a consolation goal with two minutes remaining when Moore went down in a tangle of legs in the box and nicked

in the box and picked himself up to convert the resulting penalty.

# **Away day** blues, even at home

# Loughborough University 4 Willenhall Town 0

Willenhall Town 0
WILLENHALL failed to
gather a single Midland
Alliance point all season on
their travels – in spite of the
final game being switched to
Noose Lane.
The Students hit the Reds
with two goals in three

with two goals in three minutes just before the half hour.

First Dan Delderfield rist Dan Deiderheid netted and then unmarked Tom Nadin hit a low strike. Delderfield netted with a superb 25-yard free-kick on

superb 25-yard free-kick on 56 minutes and, with the Lockmen tiring, Raul Alexis added number four as the 'home side' coasted home.

Adam Swain did fashion two late chances for the Reds. First an effort dipped just over before a determined run past three defenders saw Uni keeper Brendan Hazlett manage to push the effort wide. push the effort wide.

push the effort wide.

FA restructuring means
Willenhall must now wait to
see if they will be relegated
to the West Midlands League
or the Midland Combina-

Maria Nicol, Associate Solicitor

# Olympic crash out of cup in extra time

RUSHALL OLYMPIC crashed to an extra-time defeat by rivals North Ferriby United in the final of the Doodson Sport Cup.

The Pics were second best for the majority of the game and the victors really should have wrapped up their trophy success in normal time. But the defeat should not take too much gloss off what has been a fine Evo-Stik Premier campaign for Rushall.

After forcing three corners in the opening three minutes, Rushall threatened again when Ahmed Obeng raced into space but, with the unmarked Kyle Brady to his right, he opted to shoot and saw his effort saved by keeper Adam Nicklin.

North Ferriby 4 Rushall 1 (after extra time)

The East Yorkshire outfit started to take control and on 17 minutes Russell Fry sent a rising drive just wide. United pressed again as Danny Clarke ghosted past Decio Gomes

as Danny Clarke gnosted past Decto Gomes before turning and firing in a low effort that keeper Chris Gemmell gathered, while Fry curled a free-kick straight at Gemmell. Gemmell kept the scores level when he produced a fingertip save to push the unmarked Bradshaw's flying header out for a corner.

A long through ball from Jonny Haynes caused panic in the North Ferriby ranks and Brady was able to get a shot off on the spin that Nicklin saved.

Then Nicklin awas pressed into action again when he tipped Mitchell Tolley's looping high ball over the crossbar.

The game finally burst into life in the 75th minute when Brooksby was hauled down in the area by Tolley. Fry stepped up to send Gemmell the wrong way from the spot.

But Olympic were handed an immediate lifeline when, straight from the restart, Bottomer was upended in the penalty area and Tolley drilled home the resulting penalty.

Neither side could fashion a winner in normal time but it was United who took charge in extra-time. Some shambolic defending resulted in Taylor firing United in front in the 92nd winner.

Things went decidedly from bad to worse for Rushall just five minutes from the restart when Gregg Anderson stabbed home from close range.

United ended any Rushall hopes of a comeback four minutes into the second period of extra-time when substitute Martyn Naylor and Bradshaw teed-up up Bolder to add the fourth and final goal.



Footballer Chloe Chapmar

# Chloe gets call-up for **England**

WALSALL schoolgirl Chloe

WALSALL schoolgirl Chloe Chapman has been selected to play football for England. The Shelfield Community Academy pupil will play for England Schoolgirls under-15s in tournaments in Scot.

England Schoolgirls under-lös in tournaments in Scot-land and Ireland over the coming months.

She skippers her school side, which has reached the last four of the English Schools Cup competition. It attracted 370 entries.

To qualify for the England squad, Chapman took part in trials in Telford last October.

October.

Academy assistant principal Russ Nicholson said: "It is a fantastic achievement for Chloe.

"She's a credit to the academy and Walsall.
"She is really excited.

"She is really excited about it and works really hard."

# Begin-eers get chance to race

HARLEQUINS Orienter-ring Club is organising a race for beginners at Walsall Arboretum on Saturday.

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# FLORENT REFUSES TO RULE OUT A RETURN

a Walsall return - but insisted he must resolve his future at Stoke first.

The midfielder marked the end of his loan spell from the Potters with the goal in Saturday's 1-1 draw with Huddersfield which sealed League One survival.

Cuvelier has been a smash hit for the Saddlers, scoring four goals in 18 games, as they retained their league status

four goals in 18 games, as they retained their league status with a match to spare.

The 19-year-old is out of contract at the Britannia Stadium in the summer and would consider a return to the Banks's Stadium on loan once his future is sorted.

He said: "Next year if I could come back on loan maybe, I would be interested by Nick Mashiter but I just have to wait and

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but I just have to wait and see.
"I'm hopeful about staying with Stoke, but it's just about patience.
"I've spoken with the manager (Tony Pulis) and he was happy with the way I was playing and progressing. It's always nice to hear.
"It's the end of my contract in June so I have to wait and see what happens.

Opener
"My dream is to play in

"My dream is to play in England and I want to stay

England and I want to stay here. Belgium is a nice country but the football is better here."

The Belgium under-21 international struck to cancel out Lee Novak's early opener as results elsewhere ensured a point was enough to survive.

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And the ex-Portsmouth youngster insisted he never had any doubt about the Saddlers' survival hopes.

He said: "It was the best linish I could ask for. It's a big relief but I knew from the start we were going to stay up.

"Everyone in the changing room had the right attitude on and off the pitch."

Every player has been fan-tastic and I'm so happy for the fans and the manager – everyone.

"I always thought there were good players here. We played some very good foot-ball against some top teams and I knew we were going to

sand I knew we were going to stay up.

"It's amazing. The season will end on a good note."

Meanwhile, boss Dean Smith has played down the club's League One survival and insisted it should not be the Saddlers' sole aim.

"It's great we've stayed in the league and it's a success for us – but it's not one we want to celebrate, because we want to be better than fighting relegation," he said. "We feel we're better than

fighting relegation," he said.
"We feel we're better than
that and some of the performances have shown that.
It's small margins – we're
only three wins away from
the top 10 or 12.
"We deserve to stay up.
We've got 47 points and the
four relegated teams will
wish they had that. We're
glad it's not gone down to

glad it's not gone down to the last day." The Saddlers are at MK Dons in Saturday's finale.



Florent Cuvelier is mobbed by fans after the match as Walsall secured their League One status for next season

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